YELLOW BRICK ROAD PAVED WITH 1,000,000 GREENBACKS

By MARY BROWNFIELD

AFTER SELLING second-hand designer suits, "gently used" Bundt pans and innumerable donated treasures during the past decade, the incredible Yellow Brick Road Benefit Shop will celebrate giving away more than one million dollars on Sept. 17.

The precise amount, lovingly raised by local people who either donated goods to the Yellow Brick Road or bought them at the shop, comes to $1,009,042. All of the proceeds have been passed out to local organizations since the benefit shop opened in August, 1989.

"We try to focus on the needy, the poor, the elderly and children," said former president Beverly Ambort. "We are now getting a lot of requests from the schools for programs that are no longer funded."

Ambort said Yellow Brick Road receives 15 to 20 requests each month, and it's rarely easy to decide who will get the donated cash each time.

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C.V. bank worker admits $70,000 embezzlement

By MARY BROWNFIELD

MISSING MONEY prompted the Carmel Valley branch of Washington Mutual Bank to launch an in-house investigation, revealing that $70,000 had been embezzled from the bank over the past two years.

A female bank employee — as yet unnamed and not yet arrested — admitted to the theft, according to Sheriff's Deputy Bill Cassara.

"We have somebody who already confessed. Right now there are no other suspects, and that person is not in custody," he said. "If someone is cooperative to the point where they're working with us,

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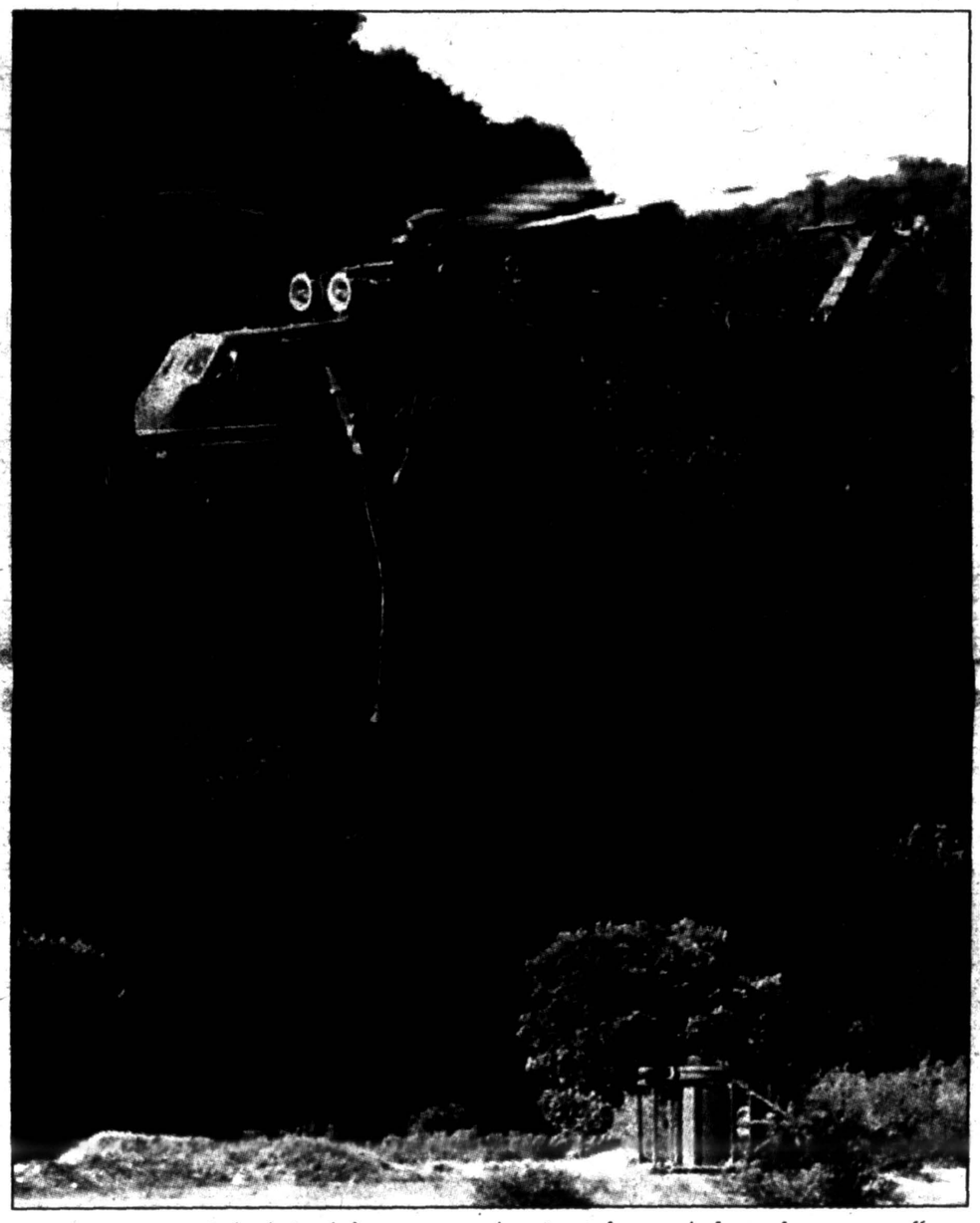
Full assault on Ventana fires

PHOTOS/MARY BROWNFIELD



■ *11,400 ACRE FIRE*
'ZERO PERCENT CONTAINED'

By MARY BROWNFIELD

STEEP, ROCKY terrain, heavy brush and no access roads — coupled with hot weather, dry fuel and wind — have made the Ventana Wilderness fires impossible to extinguish so far. At press time Thursday they were all "zero percent contained," according to the U.S. Forest Service.

Of the 12 fires sparked by lightning Sept. 8 in the Santa Lucia Mountains, still raging uncontrolled are the Mountain fire, the Five fire and the Tassajara fire. The latter two burned together Wednesday night. Combined, they had consumed more than 11,400 acres by Thursday afternoon.

But an expansive team of almost 1,400 firefighters, 19 helicopters, six air tankers, 50 fire engines and 25 bulldozers are on the attack.

The fires have grown so large that a 30-person national team has also been called in to help with logistics, according to fire information officer Gail Aschenbrenner. That team will oversee firefighters from 18 agencies in the western states.

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Mixmaster Kristi Bulock (at left in upper photo) confers with fire information officer Gail Aschenbrenner as heavy duty Erickson Air-Crane helicopters — capable of carrying 20,000 pounds of fluid at a time — pick up fire retardant at a mixing operation near Los Padres Dam. The biodegradable retardant is mixed with water from the reservoir, pumped to the red tank shown above, sucked into the chopper and dropped on the fires. Cal-Am says they are taking a cubic foot of water per second out of the reservoir to fight fires burning out of control in the Ventana Wilderness.

Valley Chamber opposes moratorium, 'B-8 zoning' limit

By KIRSTIE WILDE

THE CARMEL Valley Chamber of Commerce has come out unanimously against a building moratorium and a B-8 zoning plan, both of which are under consideration by the Monterey County Board of Supervisors to severely limit future construction in the valley.

Chamber President Demi Briscoe polled her board of directors and about two dozen other chamber members at a special meeting Sept. 9 and heard a consensus that, "Nobody wants a moratorium and nobody wants unbridled growth either." She said not a single chamber

*See **OPPOSE** back page*

After predicting doom, council gives up quietly

PHOTO/PAUL MILLER

This 33-foot-tall home on North San Antonio will soon get a 28-foot-tall addition, thanks to a California Court of Appeals, which ordered Carmel to approve the remodel despite the 18-foot height limit in the neighborhood.

By PAUL MILLER

THE CITY Council this week decided to drop its challenge to a court decision it said would have dire consequences for Carmel-by-the-Sea.

In June Monterey Superior Court Judge William Curtis ordered the city to approve a 28-foot-tall addition that Los Angeles residents Orville and Ellina Golub want to make to their home on North San Antonio Avenue. The city council rejected the building plan in 1997 because it exceeded the neighborhood's height limit. Last month the council filed an apocalyptic appeal with a higher court to overturn Judge Curtis's order.

In a brief filed with the appeals court in San Jose, the city said Judge Curtis's decision "completely disregarded . . . the city council's governmental authority and discretion."

Not only that, but the decision "eviscerated" the authority of the city manager; "rendered meaningless" the city council's role as final decision-maker; "usurped" the council's governmental function; and

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Soup War heads for Carmel ballot

By PAUL MILLER

CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA'S Soup War is headed for the ballot and could have a dramatic impact on the city's April election when Mayor Ken White and council members Marshall Hydorn and Barbara Livingston are up for re-election.

Hydorn and Livingston have staunchly opposed Gaspar Cardinale's request to sell soup, salad and sandwiches at his coffee house on Ocean Avenue.

Cardinale's supporters on the city council, Paula Hazdovac and Sue McCloud, were elected by large margins last year and won't have to run again until 2002.

"Public sentiment is overwhelmingly on our side," Cardinale maintained this week after submitting petitions containing 626 signatures to Jeanne Brehmer, Carmel City Clerk. He said he collected "90 percent" of the signatures himself, mostly by manning a clipboard outside the Carmel Post Office this summer.

He needs 327 valid signatures to put before the voters his request to expand the menu at Caffe Cardinale on Ocean Avenue. The petitions have been sent to Monterey County Registrar of Voters Tony Anchundo for verification.

Carmel ordinances strictly limit the menu at "specialty restaurants" like Caffe Cardinale. Last spring, the city council split 2/2 on whether to ease up on the rules to let the Cardinales serve soup, salad and sandwiches in addition to coffee and pastries. Mayor White did not vote, declaring a potential conflict of interest because Cardinale did a small amount of work on his election campaign.

Livingston has led the opposition to Cardinale's soup petition, arguing that changes in the city's strict food ordinance could result in a big increase in take-out food and litter on the streets.

"Carmel doesn't need more 'convenience' food," Livingston said last month. The food ordinance was adopted unanimously in 1997, she argued in a letter-to-the-editor of The Pine Cone, and shouldn't be amended just to suit the desires of one business owner.

She has been joined by the Carmel Residents Association, which editorialized in its newsletter this month that Cardinale's petition, if successful, would "create an . . . unmanageable enforcement problem and . . . undermine the Carmel General Plan."

But Hazdovac said it would be "foolish" for the council to let the Soup War go before the voters if Cardinale has a large number of valid signatures.

"If he has the signatures, we should adopt the ordinance without an election," Hazdovac said. "That way the council keeps control of the ordinance" if it needs to be modified in the future, she said. "Also, we save the cost of an election," estimated at about $12,000.

An ordinance adopted by the voters can only be amended by another initiative election.

The registrar has 30 business days to verify the signatures on Cardinale's petition. At a council meeting — either the Oct. 5 or Nov. 2 — a decision would be made to adopt the ordinance endorsed by the petition-signers or put it on the ballot.

Mayor White, whose vote could decide the issue, said he would wait until then to decide what to do. The city attorney has since advised that the mayor has no conflict of interest that would prevent his vote.

The issue could then be put before the voters in a February special election, or it could be put on the March primary ballot or the April municipal ballot.

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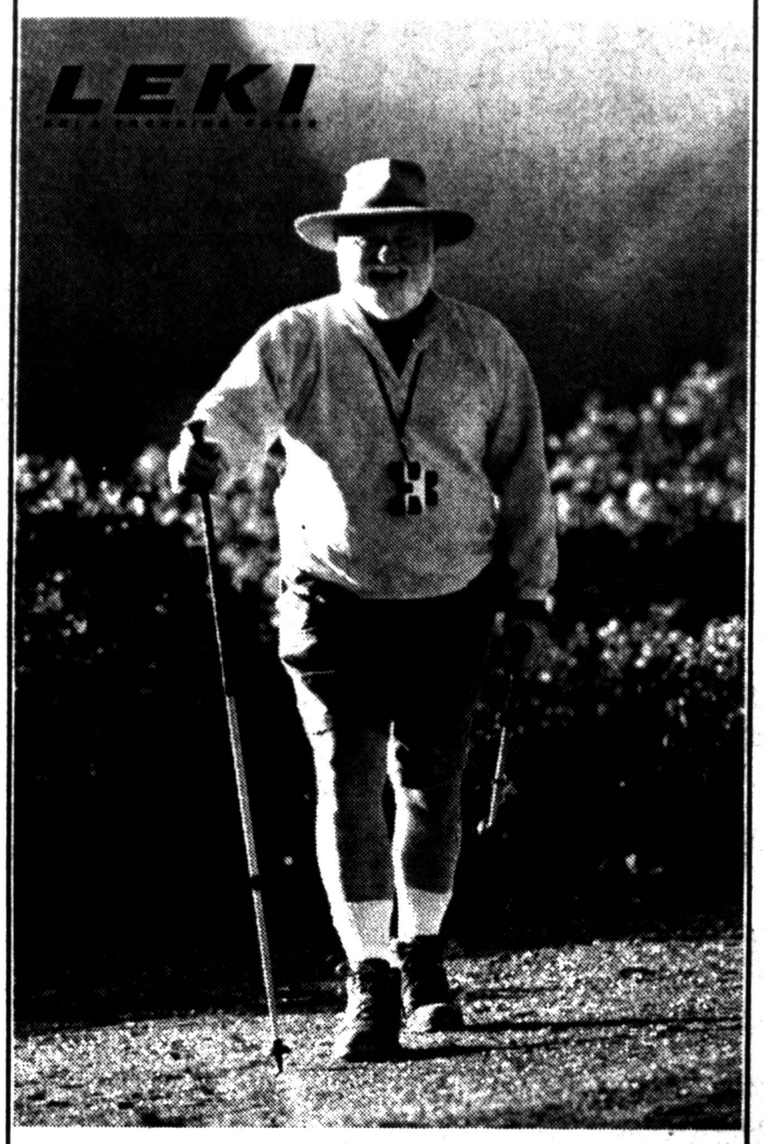

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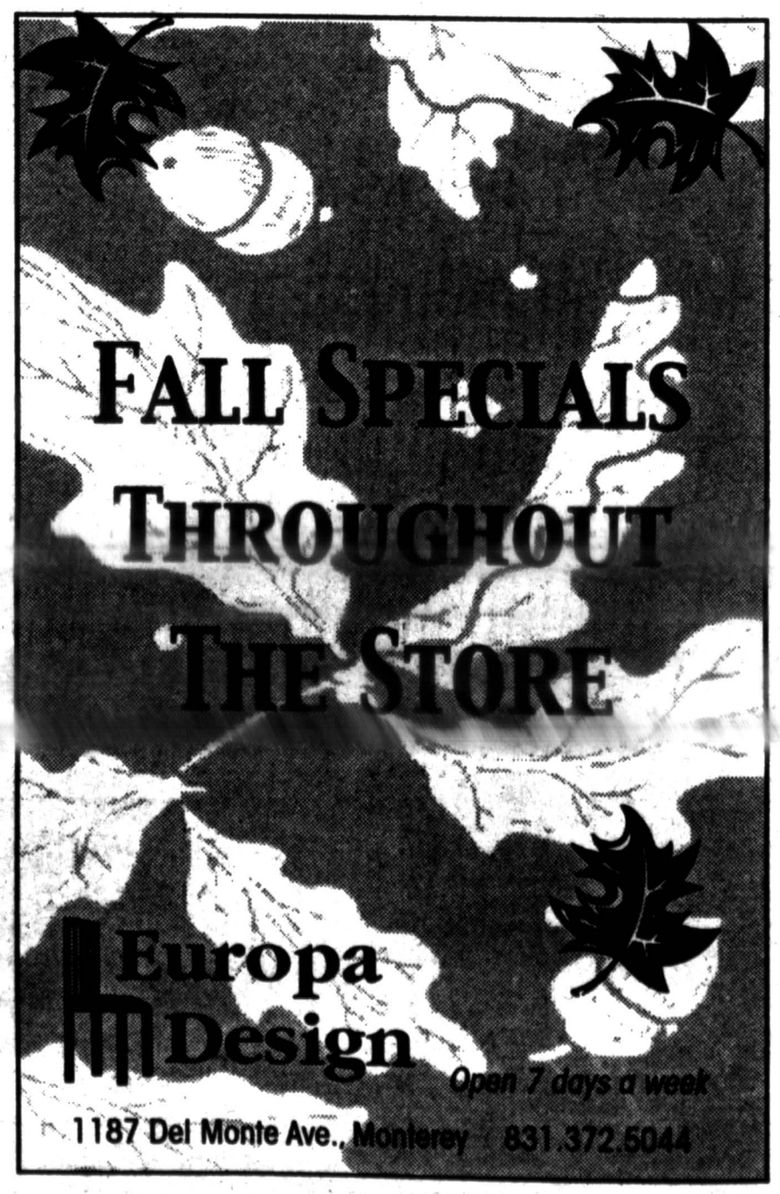

Waffle wildfire toasts home

By TAMARA GRIPPI

A JAMMED toaster in a 13th Avenue home transformed an evening snack into waffles flaming with a vengeance that set the whole kitchen afire Sept. 14.

Ten minutes after resident Cynthia Lee put two waffles in her toaster she was shocked to see flames shooting out of the toaster and spreading to her curtains and cabinets.

"I put a load of clothes in the dryer and my phone rang," Lee said. "Then my son saw flames in the window and said, 'Mom your food's burning.'"

The warning turned out to be somewhat of an understatement.

"I went inside to see the toaster, curtains and wall ablaze," Lee said. "Billows of smoke were starting to fill up the kitchen. I sprained my right shoulder getting out of the house."

After Lee called 911, Carmel Police Sgt. Terry Chandler, who was the first to arrive on the scene, was able to put the blaze out with a fire extinguisher.

The Carmel Fire Department estimated the damage at $1,500.

"We believe there was a malfunction of the toaster," said Carmel Fire Captain Bruce Meyer.

Lee, who said she's owned the toaster for three years, plans to call Black and Decker to complain. After her toaster went haywire, Lee was even more disturbed to discover that her smoke alarm didn't even go off.

"It's really sad," she said. "The waffles are still in there. Whatever mechanism that tells it to shut off, never shut off. It still would have been cooking."

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Police & Sheriff's Log

Mystery car moves itself

HERE'S A look at some of the significant calls logged by the Carmel-by-the-Sea Police Department and the Monterey County Sheriff's Department last week.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Woman parked her car on Monte Verde during the day. When she returned she found a note on her vehicle. Several hours later she noticed the side of her van was scratched. The note left on the vehicle was rude and had obscenities in it. It is possible the note was left by the resident on Monte Verde where the van was parked. No answer at residence. No report desired.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Four persons drinking wine on the sidewalk outside a restaurant were asked to return to the inside.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of possible shoplifting of a pair of shoes. Apparently, the shoes in question were placed on hold by another clerk. Unfounded.

Carmel Valley: A 17-year-old female pushed her father during an argument after he took her keys away from her. The 17-year-old Toyon Way resident may have violated the terms of her probation. A report will be forwarded to the juvenile probation department for follow-up.

Carmel area: Resident manager of a Greenfield Place home reported the resident's care giver had taken $200 from him. The patient suffers from Alzheimer's and dementia. No prosecution desired.

Carmel area: An anonymous caller reported seeing a female in a parked car. The female was contacted. She later went into her Via Carmelita residence after speaking to her husband.

Carmel area: An anonymous caller reported seeing a male looking into parked cars on Via Nona Marie. He was contacted and stated he was just admiring several of the Cadillacs.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Man was found

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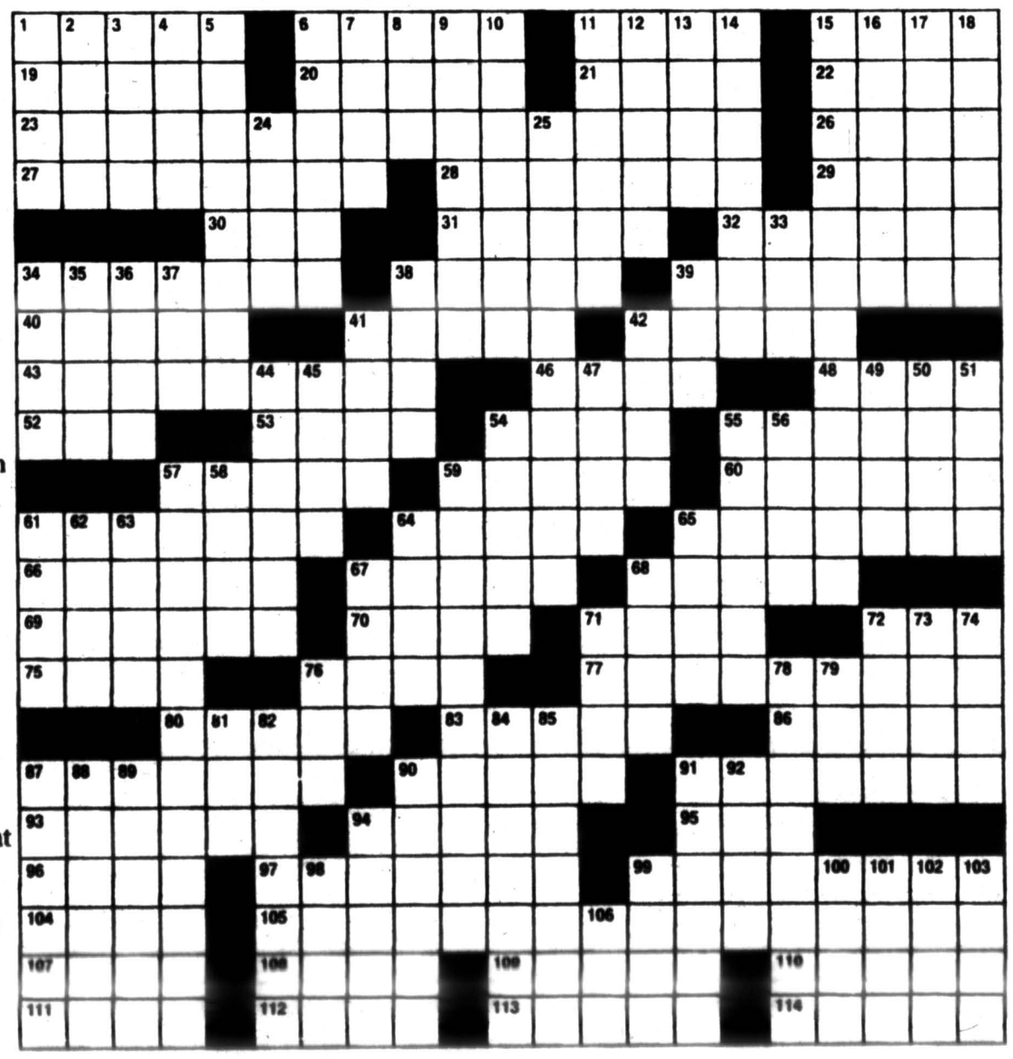

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BRICK

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"It's very difficult, very hard — you wish you could give it to everybody," she said. "Somehow when we're through each time, it [the decision] is unanimous. One need overrides the other, and we try to spread it around."

Treasurer Mabel Thompson, who has been with Yellow Brick Road since it opened, will present the $16,000 in checks to this month's 12 recipients:

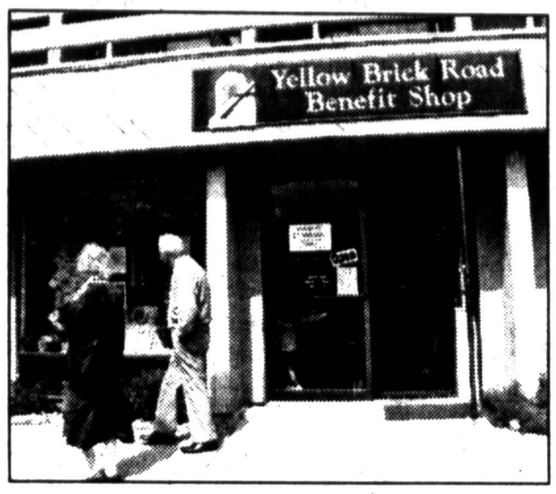
Forest Grove School, $1,750 to send underprivileged students to science camp; $2,000 to Carmel Public Library Foundation for a Children's CD-ROM system; $1,000 for disadvantaged youth in the Sea Cadets; $3,000 for Children's Court Appointed Special Advocates; $1,000 for the Central Coast Christian Film Festival; $540 for domestic violence training at MPC; $750 for office equipment at the Carmel Youth Center; $600 for special education at Monterey schools; $1,000 for the Boys & Girls Club of the Monterey Peninsula; $2,000 for the Salvation Army; $1,000 to the United Veterans Council, and $1,360 to the Door to Hope.

Yellow Brick Road has given away $154,650 so far this year. By comparison, it gave away $4,500 after its first six months of operation.

Believing that her church should be in touch with the community, Shirin Snyder, wife of Carmel Presbyterian Church pastor John Snyder, started Yellow Brick Road.

And if the name doesn't seem to fit the mission, Ambort explains the tie-in: "Dorothy (in 'The Wizard of Oz') and these various characters had diverse talents, and by combining them could work together," she said. The group effort at Yellow Brick Road has helped it reach the $1 million mark."

The little store near the Barnyard opened with seed money from the church and some help from a man who auctioned off one of his horses to raise money for the venture.



An undisputed success among nonprofits is the Yellow Brick Road Benefit Shop at 26388 Carmel Rancho Lane near The Barnyard.

PHOTO/MARY BROWNFIELD

It has since grown to occupy a larger store in the same building; the original shop now serves as space for receiving and sorting merchandise.

"People thought it would never fly, that we'd just empty people's garages and that would be it," Ambort said. "We're just awash in it now."

The organization is run by more than 100 volunteers and five paid staff members. The volunteers will be honored in Yellow Brick Road's annual celebration, to be held at Spanish Bay on Oct. 22.

But she said they still need more help in the shop, as they embark on the journey to the next million.

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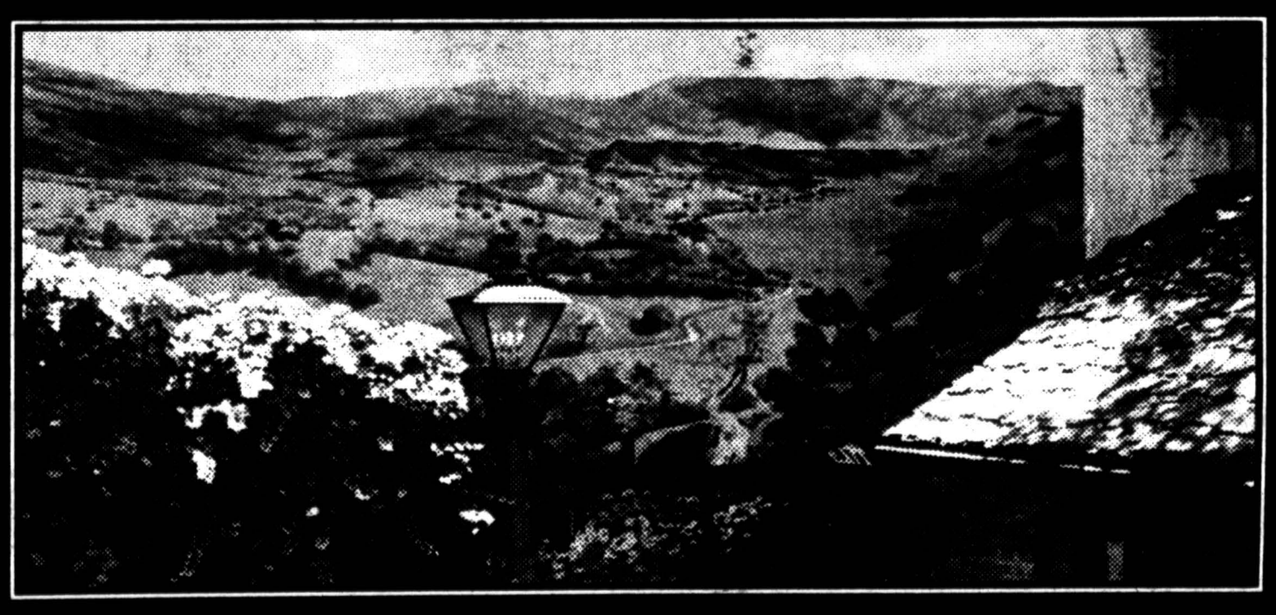

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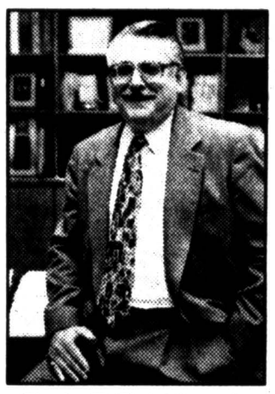

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City, employees ready to sign new contract

By TAMARA GRIPPI

AFTER SEVERAL months of negotiations, the city's employees and the Carmel City Council have reached a verbal agreement on a contract for the 1999/2000 fiscal year.

At the Sept. 14 meeting, the council authorized Carmel City Administrator Jere Kersnar to sign the agreement.

The contract provides salary increases of 3.5 percent for general employees, management, police officers and fire fighters. The contract also provides some increase in medical benefits. The total package will cost the city approximately $225,000.

City workers who have been pressing the city to use comparison studies to determine raises say they are satisfied for the present, but are hoping for more certainty about how future raises will be handled.

"It's a decent contract," said Chuck August, president of the fire fighters association. "We haven't lost ground, but we haven't gained on our deficits."

Some employees were encouraged by the tone of the negotiations this year.

"The process changed quite a bit in the last two months," said Rose Marie Franzen, a negotiator for the general employees association. "There were more extensive meetings and they talked to us more."

The agreement also includes a city council request to study a "pay-for performance" merit plan for Carmel's employees. "It's basically the idea that you have annual pay tied to evaluations," Kersnar said.

The $225,000 that will be used to cover this year's salary increases comes from "one-time" funds, which won't be available next year, Kersnar said.

Kersnar advised the council that it will have to come up with new revenues to cover these costs in the future. The council will take up the subject of new revenues at its Oct. 6 meeting. So far, paid parking has emerged as the front-runner to earn new money for the city.

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there's no hurry to arrest."

Since she is cooperating with authorities and lives locally, she is not considered a flight risk.

"And there are other factors that play into that kind of decision" not to make an arrest, Cassara said, but there is no set formula.

"It's still under investigation, but just like any other case when somebody admits to something, we have to corroborate their statements," he said, adding that investigators need to discover if anyone else was involved in the embezzlement.

Investigation ongoing

The sheriff's department is currently pulling bank records for the past two years and Cassara said the investigation is far from complete.

"It depends on if we need court orders to get the bank records or not. Since they're their own victim, confidentiality may or may not be a problem," Cassara said. "Usually when the bank and the victim are separate, confidentiality would come into play and we would need court orders."

Authorities will also look into any purchases that might have been made with embezzled funds.

"Our job is obviously not the restitution, but if there is evidence — i.e. cash or property — involved with the crime, then it would be our obligation to track that down," he said. "We don't want to ignore evidence if someone purchased something with ill-gotten gains."

The Washington Mutual Bank manager declined to comment on the embezzlement or the investigation.

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Deputy wants evidence of fraud

By KIRSTIE WILDE

SHERIFF'S DEPUTY John Burke smells a rat, but he can't catch it without the help of Carmel business people.

"If any local businesses have bought advertisements from a company called High School Athletic Calendars, I'd like them to call me," Burke said. He and the District Attorney's office are investigating the company for allegedly using a fraudulent sales pitch to sell ads to Carmel businesses.

High School Athletic Calendars employs young-sounding sales people and sends invoices that use the names "Carmel High" and "Padres football." But Burke says the company has no connection to CHS.

"I talked to an attorney who represents High School Athletic Calendars, and he claimed that the name Carmel Padres is in the public domain so he can use it to solicit advertising," Burke said. "He admitted the company wasn't under contract to Carmel High and didn't reimburse the school for any part of the money raised." The price of the ads ranged from $85 to $150, according to the deputy.

Burke asks anybody who has sent money to High School Athletic Calendars to call him at 647-7702. He also advises those who want to truly benefit Carmel High athletics to send their money directly to the school or the booster club.

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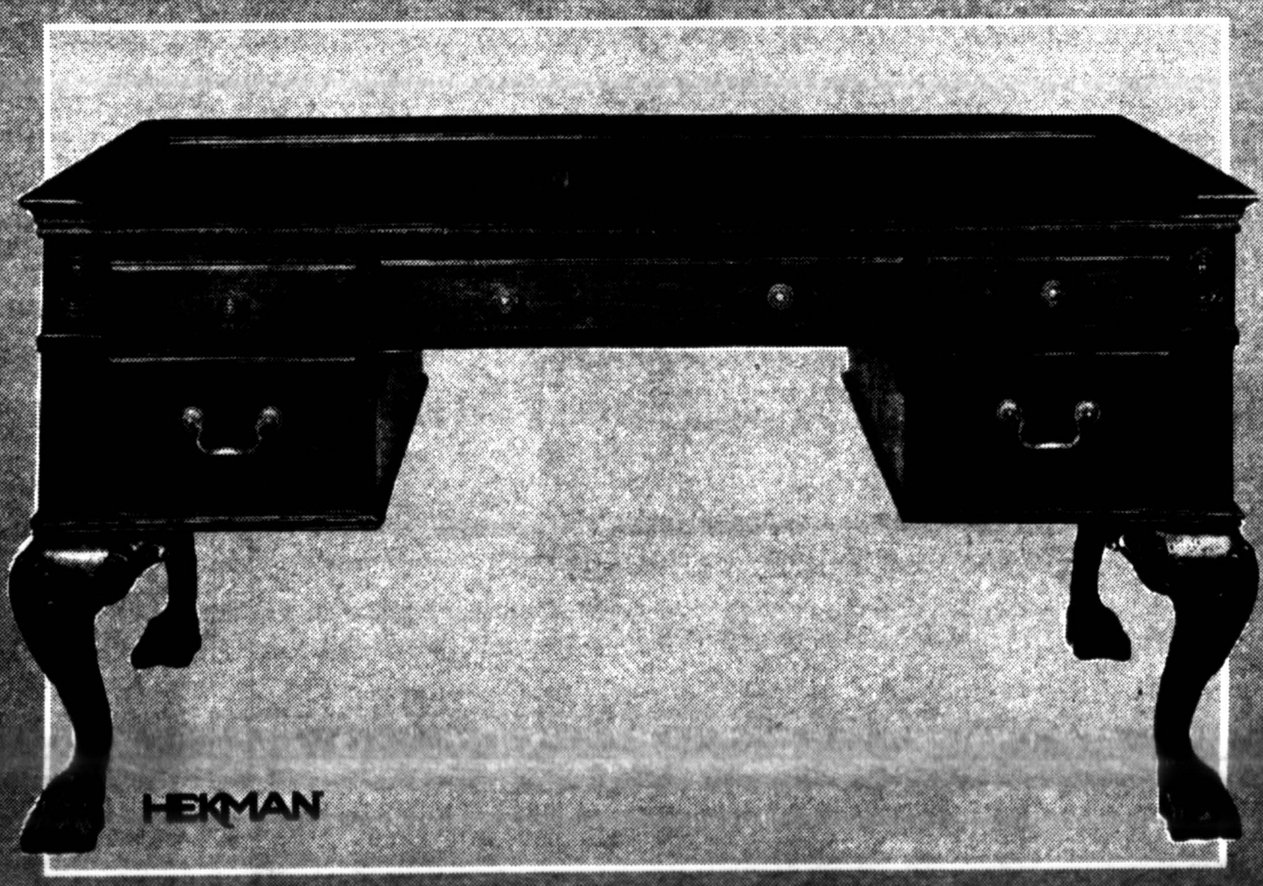

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Since thousands of burning acres are inaccessible from the ground, the Ventana fires must be fought from the air. Helicopters are carrying crews inside the fire line; they land when they can to discharge firefighters, but if the terrain is too rough, crews must rappel down ropes from the air.

Air tankers led by small sighting planes and Erickson Air-Crane helicopters carrying 20,000 pounds of fire retardant have been "laying down red lines" and ferrying water from the Los Padres Dam reservoir in Cachagua to the fires.

"The retardant cools [the fire] down," Aschenbrenner said. "There are three things you need for fire: fuels, oxygen and heat. So we cool it down — the retardant is cooler and wetter than water."

Mix master Kristi Bulock coordinates the water/retardant site at Los Padres reservoir. The heaviest helicopters available use a long snorkel to pick up the "wilderness-friendly" biodegradable Phoscheck retardant.

"Yesterday morning we had helicopters coming in every couple of minutes," Bulock said Sept. 14. "It's hard to keep up with that kind of demand."

The volume of aircraft involved in fighting the fires — 19 helicopters and six air tankers — means they must be in constant communication with each other throughout the operation, while also grappling with afternoon wind.

Because the water is coming from Los Padres, a Cal-Am representative monitors the water use. The effort is currently using one cubic foot per second, Bulock said. "That's low water use for an operation like this."

Worsening conditions

Firefighters are preparing for rising temperatures and more windy conditions in the Tassajara area, according to Aschenbrenner. "Tassajara will be busy. It's going to be hotter with more wind," she said. Temperatures from 85° to 90° were predicted Thursday.

San Luis Obispo resident Matthew Osborne is the "sawyer" in a hot-shot crew, leading 20 firefighters into the wilderness to hand-cut fire breaks. "When a fire reaches that point, it's clear of all fuels and dies out," said Osborne's fiancée, Lisa Forrester, who worries if she doesn't hear from Osborne at least every 36 hours. Osborne is a firefighter at Vandenberg Air Force Base.

"He carries a chain saw and cuts down all the big stuff," she said. Osborne is followed by a puller who throws the limbs off the trail and crew members with hand tools who remove shrubs, bushes and all combustibles.

Their packs weigh about 40 pounds, in addition to the heavy protective suits, Forrester said. "And then Matt carries his 30-pound chain saw" in that incredible heat.

Firefighters usually eat military "meals ready to eat" (MREs). "Sometimes they get sack lunches, but those don't work very well next to the heat," she said. "Peanut butter and jelly isn't very good after being shoved down in a pack."

The crews are allowed a break every four hours to eat and rest. They often sleep on the fire lines, according to Forrester. After 24 hours they return to base camp for 12 hours off.

"None of these are jobs for the queasy," said Aschenbrenner. "They don't get paid a lot, but they like the work and the camaraderie."

Osborne makes $10 an hour, and time-and-a-half for overtime. This summer, he's worked more than 600 hours of overtime fighting California fires.

"He loves it a lot, but it doesn't sound like the most glamorous job to me," Forrester said.

Fire information officer Joanna Guttman explained that many of the crew are specially trained for fighting remote wilderness fires.

"They helicopter everyone in, and if they can find a place to land, they do. Some of the 'smoke jumpers' jump or rappel down," she said. "They normally jump out of small planes using parachutes. They're really perfect for this kind of operation, and are trained to go to small fires that are way back in inaccessible areas."

Sensitive to criticism that the fire-fighting effort is inadequate, Aschenbrenner said protecting property isn't their primary concern.

"Safety is always first," she said. "We're not going to put crews in an area if we can't get them out."

Fighting the fires has cost more than $5 million so far, and 17 firefighters have suffered minor injuries.

Let it burn?

Although policy for some fires is to let them naturally burn themselves out, Aschenbrenner said that's not the case with the Ventana fires. Each forest has different terrain, fuel and topography, she said, adding, "In some areas that have less fuel and are rocky, you can let the fires burn."

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Carmel fights cancer with bargains, events starting next week

By KIRSTIE WILDE

"EDUCATE, DONATE, Celebrate" is the theme of a week-long American Cancer Society campaign beginning Sept. 20 in Carmel. Stores at Carmel Plaza will be offering special discounts and promotions to lure shoppers and a percentage of sales at Saks Fifth Avenue from Sept. 23-26 will go to the Breast Cancer Action Group of the Monterey Peninsula.

In addition, the American Cancer Society's Pacific Grove Discovery Shop will be setting up shop for the week at Carmel Plaza, offering daily cancer education events on the second level of the plaza and items for sale to raise money for the fight against the disease.

The week will be capped by a fashion show and tea at 1 p.m. Saturday in the Carmel Plaza courtyard featuring models who are also cancer survivors, including KION-TV's Hunter Finnell.

The daily schedule includes expert advice at the Discovery Shop upstairs from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. on:

- Monday, Sept. 20, "Breast Health;"
- Tuesday, Sept. 21, "Nutrition, A Healthy Diet;"
- Wednesday, Sept. 22 "Tobacco Prevention, Cessation Information;"
- Thursday, Sept. 23 Patient Services, How American Cancer Society Can Help;"
- Friday, Sept. 24, "Prostate Cancer;"
- Saturday, Sept. 25, "Cancer Survivors Fashion Show and Tea" at 1 p.m. in the courtyard.

FIRES

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boundary with residences, the fire-fighting effort is more aggressive, but the sensitive environment means no on-ground machinery can be used and the fire retardant must be biodegradable.

But bulldozers can be used to stop a fire from getting to the proportions of the 1977 Marble Cone fire in the same wilderness, which burned 175,000 acres and sent up a plume of smoke visible in Utah.

"There's a critical judgment time — life, then property," said Aschenbrenner, who has worked on "some big fires," but nothing as huge as Marble Cone.

In response to the threatening fire, Tassajara Hot Springs was evacuated Wednesday afternoon. The Ventana Wilderness Society also evacuated their condors to a temporary cage on a Big Sur ranch Sept. 15 when the fire came within 4 miles of the condor refuge. "The evacuation will get them out of harm's way," said executive director Jim Davis. "The fire is close enough to be a major concern."

The society's scientific equipment and vehicles were also moved.

The three condors — two 5-month-olds "just beginning to get their feathers," and "Grandma," the ancestor of the flock — are currently being kept together in an eight-foot by 16-foot temporary cage.

The nine free-flying condors the society has released over the last two years can fly 30 to 50 miles a day, according to Davis. Those birds wear radio transmitters and can be monitored by researchers.

"This is their first experience with fire (all are under 3 years old)," he said. "They'll learn the nature of fire through this."

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Food & Wine

Taste a Rising Star. . .

Paraiso Springs to unveil '97 Pinot Noir at vertic

By MARGOT PETIT NICHOLS

IF YOU'VE never seen a vat of fermenting Pinot Noir grapes punched down by hand, you've missed something in your overall life scheme.

A chance to rectify this omission will present itself at a very special evening on Friday, Sept. 24 at the Claudia and Richard Smith family's Paraiso Springs Vineyards' "Taste a Rising Star" celebration of the upcoming harvest and the unveiling and release of the winery's 1997 Pinot Noir.

A vertical tasting of past vintages of Paraiso's Pinot Noirs — '94 through '96 — the first public tasting of the '97, plus a barrel-sample tasting of the '98 should be highlighted on wine lovers' calendars.

Pinot Noir grapes are considered "one of the very greatest of red wine grapes," according to Frank Schoonmaker's "Encyclopedia of Wine," which accounts for the considerable care given the vines at Paraiso Springs Vineyards: Shortly after the Pinot Noir grapes are "set," routine vineyard practice is to open the vine canopies for sunlight and air through leaf pulling and crop thinning.

The Pinot Noir grapes are late in ripening this year, so a true "punchdown" may or may not take place at the Sept. 24 event, pending harvest schedule; but it will, in any case, be demonst ated by David Fleming, director of operations. Punchdown occurs after the grapes are placed in open-topped half-ton bins and inoculated with yeast to begin fermentation. The solids (grape skins) rise to the top and are mixed back into the juice (punched down) by hand several times before they're

The Smith family owns Paraiso Springs Vineyards. Here bracketed by their son and son-in-law are Richard and Claudia Smith — who began growing premium varietals for sale to other wineries in 1976 — their son Jason, far left, director of vineyard operations, and far right, son-in-law David Fleming, director of operations.

"Great Bowls of Fire" Chili Cook-Off
Carmel Valley Chamber of Commerce
at Holman Ranch
Monday, September 20, 1999
5 to 8 p.m.

The sixth annual Chili Cook-Off at Holman Ranch is a fun night with great chili and music provided by the Cachagua Playboys. Come out and sample the original recipes and support your Carmel Valley Chamber. Call for reservations: 659-4000.

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Paraiso Springs Vineyards
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7 to 10 p.m.

Come out and celebrate the coming 1999 harvest with "Taste a Rising Star," an intimate evening at the Paraiso Springs tasting room. Pinot Noir is the focus of the evening and visitors will be invited to tour the vineyards to learn about night harvesting. Depending upon the harvest schedule, this could be a hands-on opportunity to help with "punchdowns" to mix the fermenting juices and grape skins.

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pressed. The skins are removed before the must (grape juice in the process of becoming wine) is transferred to oak barrels for 10 months of aging.

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Tickets to the 7 to 10 p.m. second-day-of-autumn event cost $25 which also includes hors d'oeuvres paired to the Pinot Noirs, and desserts — all of which can be enjoyed from the tasting room's panoramic view deck as the moon rises over the Salinas Valley. Reservations are required.

The tasting will take place following a tour of the vineyards conducted by owner/operators Richard and Claudia Smith, and Fleming, their son-in-law, who will reveal the *raison d'être* of night harvesting.

In an interview with The Pine Cone this week, Fleming explained that night harvesting of Pinot Noir grapes is done "mostly because of the temperature factor." Daytime temperature in the vineyards can be elevated/

Night picking begins around 7, and continues through until 5 or 6 in the morning, depending on the vineyard and equipment problems. Vineyard slopes over a 2 or 3 percent grade are too steep for mechanical harvesting of the trellised grapes, necessitating hand-picking. "Machine harvesting is more efficient than a crew," Fleming said. "We get a cleaner pick — we get more of the crop."

Paraiso Springs Vineyards grows and vinifies not only Pinot Noir grapes, but Pinot Blanc, Riesling, Chardonnay, Johannisberg Riesling and Syrah — all produced as 100 percent varietals.

Although the Smiths own 400 acres, only 200 are planted to Paraiso Springs Vineyards' grapes. Within that acreage there are vineyard blocks identified as small microclimates which have been matched to each varietal's requirements.

The Smiths manage vineyards all over the Salinas Valley and custom harvest grapes through their Valley Farm Management firm. They have grown premium wine grapes for sale to other wineries since their first harvest in 1976 before beginning production of their own Paraiso Springs Vineyards' Chardonnay grapes in 1988. Since then, each of the other varieties grown in their own vineyards has been vinified into a Paraiso Springs Vineyards wine. Current production of their own wines has grown to 20,000 cases a year.

Philip Zorn is the winemaker who has crafted Paraiso Springs Vineyards wines since 1991, and has produced several "specialty wines" including two rosés and a Port wine from Souzao grapes grown in another Smith vineyard.

The vineyards are located in the Santa Lucia Highlands two miles west of Highway 101 near the town of Soledad — about a one-hour drive from Monterey or Carmel.

For reservations to the Sept. 24 tour and tasting, directions and more information, call (831) 678-0300.

Sixth 'Great Bowls of Fire' chili cook-off blasts off Sept. 20

FIVE KNOWLEDGEABLE judges of chili will put their culinary acumen on the line Monday, Sept. 20 when they select three winners in four categories at the "Great Bowls of Fire" Chili Cook-Off at Holman Ranch, Carmel Valley.

The cook-off, which carries with it a reputation for being intense, will be held from 5 to 8 p.m., and is sponsored by the Carmel Valley Chamber of Commerce whose members prepare and serve original homemade chili recipes. The judges are A.B. Introcaso, owner of Pacific Coast Catering, a five-time blue ribbon winner in past Chili Cook-Offs; Daniel Barduzzi, managing director of Los Laurels Country Inn; Pat DuVal, former restaurateur, peripatetic barbecue chef and known forever as Monterey County's "Singing Sheriff"; Captain Jeff Frye of the Carmel Valley Fire Department, experienced in putting out chili fires; and Cal Stamenov, executive chef of Bernardus Lodge.

Three winners will be chosen from each of these four categories: Best Amateur; Best Professional; Best Decorated Table; and the coveted People's Choice.

A silent auction will be held and live music will be offered by the Cachagua Playboys.

Co-chairmen of the event are Sue Peccianti and Ann Olivier. Admission is $15 per person and reservations are recommended. For directions, information and reservations, call the chamber office at 659-4000.

PHOTO/MARGOT PETIT NICHOLS

Two hundred varieties of tomatoes were showcased at last Sunday's annual TomatoFest at Quail Meadows. Each variety was displayed whole, surrounded by bite-size pieces for tasting. A score card was used by the 1,400 tasters who paid $50 each to attend the festival. Fifty local restaurateurs provided samplings from their menus, each featuring tomatoes. Gary Ibsen, producer of the festival, said that proceeds will benefit the Boys and Girls Club of Monterey County.

A Taste of Carmel slated for Oct. 17

THE NEWLY OPENED Bernardus Lodge in Carmel Valley will be the scene of this year's "A Taste of Carmel" which will feature samplings of 20 Carmel restaurants' signature dishes on Sunday, Oct. 17.

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Alleged Cachagua arsonist denies charges

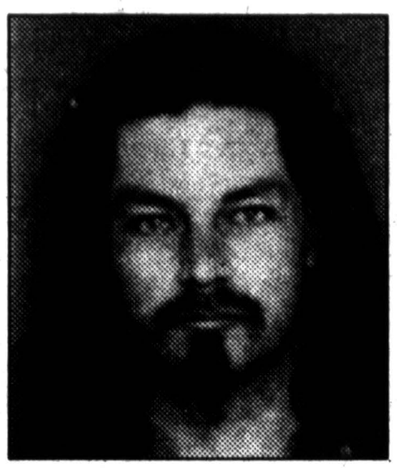
PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

EAGLE-EYED residents and quick California Department of Forestry firefighters foiled an alleged arsonist in Carmel Valley Sept. 12.

"We had a series of three fires — one on top of Los Laureles Grade and two in Cachagua, 175 yards apart," said CDF Battalion Chief Rick Moore. "On those two, we had some witnesses who had seen a vehicle in the area."

They described a green Ford pick-up with a red camper shell, which was later spotted by Sheriff's Deputy Steve Sinor on Cachagua Road near one of the brushfires.

"The bottom line is, we were able to put the information together and track down the occupant," Moore said. "We ultimately made an arrest."



Cory Divine

Salinas resident Cory Divine, 30, was arrested and taken to Monterey County Jail. Bail for the arson charge was set at $25,000, but he is also being held without bail on a narcotics charge. Divine has denied the allegations. A preliminary hearing is scheduled for Sept. 24.

The entire ordeal — from the time the fires were reported to the time they were contained at only a few acres each and Divine arrested — took less than six hours.

Moore attributes the fast response and arrest to the people who reported the truck near the Cachagua fires.

"The biggest thing is the fact of folks being aware, looking around, paying attention," Moore said.

Carmel Valley is currently in the height of fire season, with warm weather, dry conditions, a lot of vegetation and huge fires burning just over the hills.

"Arson happens out there a lot more than folks think — it's a lot more prevalent — and we try to get out to the public to be aware of what's going on in [their] community or neighborhood."

Fire information officer Gail Aschenbrenner, who is working with the Ventana Wilderness fire-fighters, emphasized the importance of stopping arsonists.

"We have enough on our hands without that," she said.

Street improvement approved, delayed

By TAMARA GRIPPI

AFTER SPENDING eight years on a plan to improve their street and going to great lengths to answer the city council's questions about their project, the residents of San Carlos Street finally got their wish — sort of.

At the Sept. 14 council meeting, the vote was 3 to 1 — with Councilwoman Paula Hazdovac dissenting — to pay $35,000 for the "traffic-calming" project and apply for a federal grant for the balance of $160,000. The residents raised nearly $5,000 themselves.

While authorizing the grant application, the council stipulated that no work begin on the project — which will introduce a series of landscaped "bump-outs" onto San Carlos — before 2002.

Some council members were concerned about adding any new work to the city's already overloaded plate.

"At the Sept. 2 special meeting we promised staff we would not add any new items" to their work load, Hazdovac said. The city is already committed to completing the local coastal program, the design traditions project, revamping the historic preservation program and the commercial design guidelines, Hazdovac pointed out.

Some council members were impressed by the initiative of the residents. "Council members all over the country are waiting for this kind of situation to happen, for people to work with the city on a cooperative effort," said Mayor Ken White.

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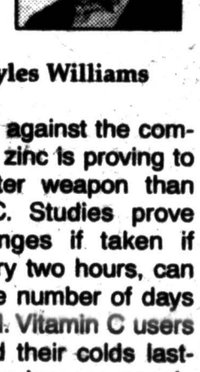

By Myles Williams

In the war against the common cold, zinc is proving to be a better weapon than Vitamin C. Studies prove zinc lozenges if taken if taken every two hours, can reduce the number of days of the cold. Vitamin C users discovered their colds lasted twice as long as people who took zinc. Zinc treatments are most effective if you take the lozenges at the onset of cold symptoms and avoid citrus products. The interaction between citrus and zinc cancel out the benefits.

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World leaders often have a lot in common. Egyptian President Anwar Sadat and Ghandi, 'the father of modern India', were both visionary leaders who altered history through he impact of their own courage, character and convictions. Both men transcended self-interests for greater causes and tragically, both men died from an assassin's bullet.

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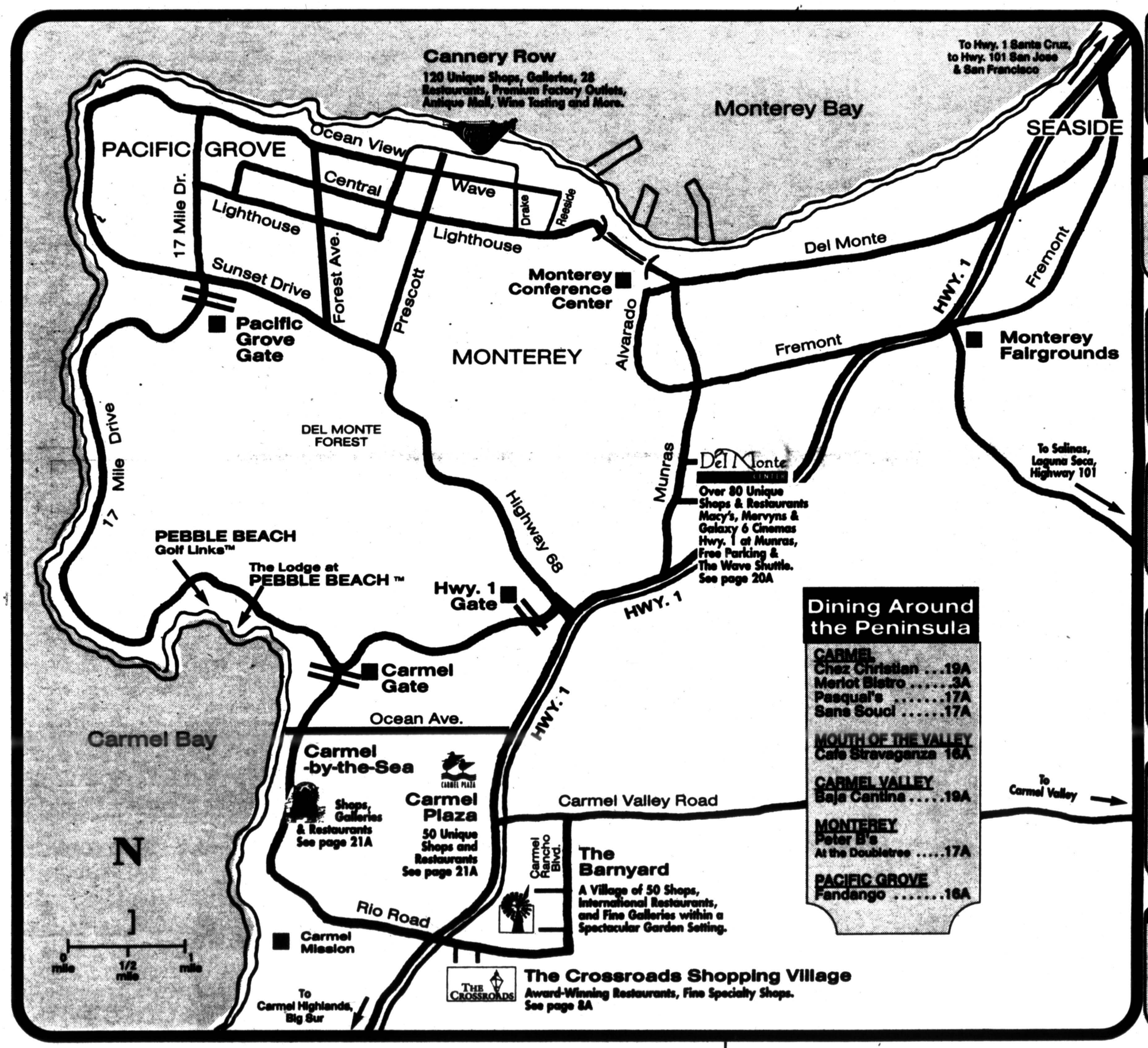

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50 Hank Ketcham originals

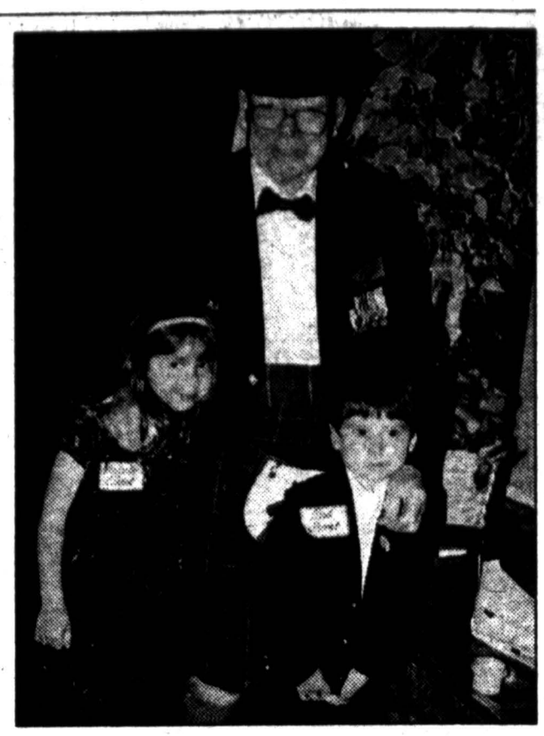
Just in time for the annual Monterey Jazz Fest — which commences Friday, Sept. 17 for its three-day run at the Monterey Fairgrounds — Hank Ketcham's oil, watercolor and acrylic portraits of legendary jazz greats will be featured at Chapman Gallery, Seventh Avenue between San Carlos and Mission, Carmel. The exhibit, which began this week, continues for one month.

FEELING THE RHYTHM IN STONE

Gedion Nyanhongo, stone sculptor from Zimbabwe, a leader in the Zimbabwe Sculpture Movement, addressed Carmel High students this week and conducted a sculpture workshop for advanced art students. Nyanhongo's work has been exhibited in museums and galleries throughout the world. Phillips Gallery of Fine Arts, Sixth Avenue and Dolores, Carmel, will present a one-man exhibition of his works beginning Saturday, Sept. 18. The show, "Feeling the Rhythm: An Exhibition in Stone," will run through Oct. 8. A reception is planned from 5 to 8 p.m. at the gallery on the 18th.

Rosemary George, Pat Hunt and Betty Swisher enjoy a chat at the Carmel Valley Women's Club tea party.

Ellen Pook, Landon Hofman, Chris Pook and Susan Meyer at La Gala Seca.



Former Carmel Mayor Steve Grant with his two grandchildren, Natalie (age 6) and Paul (age 4) at the party honoring their granddad.

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VALLEY WOMEN ARE LIKE — REAL COOL!

People and Places

By Sissi Maleki

NORMAL LOGIC would tell you that the busier you are, the less time you have to exercise.

But, as usual, I subscribe to the abnormal. Which is why I've figured out how to increase my workouts in direct proportion to the length my column needs to be (which reflects how busy I've been).

This is the way it works:

Every sentence I write is followed by an aerobic sequence that stretches most, if not all, the muscles of my body.

I rise from my chair — using my middle and lower muscles.

I walk to the kitchen, again using my lower muscles.

I reach out, grab food and place it in my mouth. This time I use my upper muscles, including my face muscles.

I walk back, using my lower muscles.

I lower myself into my chair, again with my middle and lower muscles.

And I write another sentence.

The more sentences I write, the more . . . well, you get the picture.

I do still have a problem. There is a glaring absence of brain exercise.

Perhaps if I directed myself to the vacuum cleaner instead of the kitchen, more brain exercise would be in evidence . . .

The **Carmel Valley Women's Club's** annual tea party on Sept. 8 proved that this group is determined to get better each year. Hosted by expert horsewoman **Konny Gloy,** it was held in her new home, a structure that seemed to be on top of the world . . . or at least on top of the Carmel Valley.

Renée Dalton was present with her friend **Ann Blum.** They both shared stories from their volunteer work during Concours weekend. (Renée has actually *raced* cars for fun!)

Lucie Pendlay, chairman of the event, overlooked no detail to make sure the get-together was perfection. Club President **Sally Fargo** is busy hunting down unique settings with exceptional holiday decorations for the club's December house tour. A cool group to be in!

■ Hanging out with racers at La Gala Seca

You can count on at least one thing each year: for **Soroptimists International of Carmel Bay** to give fans a chance to mingle with the best of the racers!

So it was, on Sept. 9, at their annual **La Gala Seca,** which found the whole "Team Target" — including drivers **Juan Montoya** and **Jimmy Vasser** — on hand to impress.

Wearing dashing top hats designed by fellow Soroptimist and clothing designer **Ericka Engelman,** Soroptimists **Karen Fulton** and **Joyce Newell** were selling drink tickets like hotcakes while at another end new Soroptimist **Elizabeth Bush** was kept busy as a bee running errands. Of course for pros like Soroptimists **Yvonne McBride** and **Ann McPherson,** the whole show was a piece of cake.

The same could be said for Soroptimist **Shari Hastey.** And even when she tripped and nearly fell, the smoothness with which she recovered was awesome!

Philanthropist **Peggy Haas** (of the San Francisco Levi family) was there as every year, ready to support the event.

Landon Hofman, who owns the local McDonalds franchises and was one of the sponsors of the upcoming weekend's Grand Prix race, was hosting **Ellen** and **Chris Pook** of Long Beach, where Chris runs the local Grand Prix Association.

■ Merry Widows recruit for Army

Well, not exactly. But sort of.

On Sept. 11, the **Salvation Army** took the opportunity to make new friends and recruit new volunteers during the gala opening of PacRep's "Merry Wives of Windsor."

Feasting on delights by Chef **Larry Reinhardt,** guests such as **Donna Dougherty** and **Mark Starr** chatted with Salvation Army's **Capt. John Broadbent.** The latter, a British transplant, described himself as "a merry husband of England with a merry wife!"

Bob Johnston, whose wife Donna was home with a cold, was accompanied by **Mary Wade.** She was just back from an exciting trip down south.

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(Well, I consider it exciting to attend a gala performance of the Los Angeles Opera. I consider it even more exciting to get to have tenor Placido Domingo's arm around me — even if it was for a brief moment, according to Mary.)

Jennefer Santee has been even busier than usual (if that's possible) because as development director for Chartwell School, she's involved in hunting for its new digs. What a challenge in these property boom times! Fortunately, in the interim, the bursting-at-the-seams Chartwell just built on an extra classroom. This is thanks to a generous donation from **Marjorie Love**.

Clifford Bagwell and **Walter Alsky** were up to their usual charming selves, chatting up **Jean Snow**.

Kim Gill was escorted by her equally gorgeous daughter **Kristal,** who's 27. (Kim must've been a very young mother . . .)

■ TomatoFest and La Playa party make it a tough choice

I would not like to repeat Sept 12! How can you possibly choose between two annual traditions, **Gary Ibsen's TomatoFest** and **La Playa's Garden Party**, both held at the same time?

Well, I couldn't, so I raced from one to the other.

LaPlaya's party was spectacular as usual, thanks to the ministrations of master gardener **Sara Henderson** (nicknamed "Mme. Monet" by her adoring fans), not to mention the assortment of food and wine.

Benefiting the **Carmel Youth Center**, the party drew guests like **Judy** and **Don Wiese**, who entertained their friends. We met up with Virginia transplant **Carline Wallin**.

Youth Center board members **Debby Alexander** and **Tina Britton** were excited over all the neat items being auctioned off. Highly prized, of course, were the hours of consulting Sara donated. **Sharon Walsh** was keeping all her fingers crossed to win that bid.

At Quail Meadows, the sun finally overcame the clouds and the day was perfect for the idyllic scene dotted with all the tomato-themed table centerpieces.

This party benefited the Boys and Girls Club and had food, drink, music and anything else you could name.

Clint and **Dina Eastwood** were seen milling about, and so were **Phyllis** and **Don Hubbard**.

Interior designer **Brooke Doyle** confessed she was on an "anti-oxidant high" with all the tomato dishes she had eaten.

Lisa and **Brian Handley** admitted to needing a break from eating tomatoes that evening, although they walked out of the place with a bucket full of them.

Quail Lodge's **Michael Hoffman** still won't reveal where he's moving after he leaves Quail Lodge . . . he's being VERY mysterious . . .

■ A dinner in honor of Steve Grant

"Determined," "great fisherman," "focused," "dependable," "gentle," "very accepting."

Words of this sort painted a fascinating picture of former Carmel Mayor **Steve Grant**, honored at a dinner on Sept. 12th at the Elks Lodge in Monterey.

Calling him "a man who lives up to his word," **June Duran-Stock** of the **Clark Foundation** was one of many who paid tribute. **Shari Farr** told guests how Steve had "worked hard for the dignity of humanity," and pointed out that "you [Steve] always step to your own bagpipe," making reference to his Scottish and Welsh heritage.

Morley Brown, event co-organizer, noted his commitment to seniors, particularly with his involvement with the Alliance on Aging. **Joey Lasnik, Toni Jacobsen, Barbara Brooks, Northrop Kirk**, event co-chair **Mary Capson**, all were full of praise for Steve Grant.

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■ THEATER REVIEW

Sluggish pacing harms Carmel debut of 'Schmucks'

By PATRICK WHITEHURST

"MIZLANSKY/ZILINSKY," a play by Jon Robin Baitz, directed by Conrad Selvig, opened at Carmel's Carl Cherry Center for the Arts on Sept. 10th. If that title is too much of a mouthful for you it must have been too much for the playwright also, because he sub-titled it "Schmucks," which is a delightful Yiddish word that freely translates: "Jerks."

But . . . somewhere between the box office and my seat I must have broken my funny bone. Touted as a comedy and hard-edged satire (whatever that means), I found this play to be about as funny as a ham sandwich at a Bar Mitzvah. The story, set in the slippery and sleazy side of 1980s Hollywood, features eight if not contemptible, at least very unlikable characters. Except for one, an aspiring young "go-fer" named Paul Trecker, played by Brendan Godfrey, the entire bunch are losers in one way or another.

Children's Bible stories scheme

The plot revolves around an attempt by a has-been producer of B-movies, Davis Mizlansky (Mark Shilstone-Laurent) to coax his former partner Sam Zilinsky (Jerry Gill) into a last-ditch effort to make a financial killing producing audiotapes of children's Bible stories — and, at the same time, extricate himself from investigation by the IRS which is breathing down Davis' neck over some rather shady money manipulations.

The whole scam depends on getting financial backing from an investment group represented by Horton DeVries (Len Parry), a wheeler/dealer cowboy type with his own tricky agenda.

Bring in Lionel Hart (James Brady), an out-of-work, has-been actor; another manipulator and so-called friend of Davis', Alan Talkin (Skip Kadish); Miles Brook (Robert Colter), a wimpy lawyer who feels he has been led down the garden path; and a pot smoking glitzy, "masseuse" named Dusty Fink (Dierdre McCauley) — and the cast of unlovable characters is complete.

Although the second act picks up a bit of steam, the first moved with all the speed of a tennis match caught in slow motion . . . very slow motion. The actors — and they are all excellent and experienced actors — flawlessly give their lines and wait patiently and politely for their cues as we dutifully follow the play back and forth over the net.

Humorous moments

Admittedly, a director can do only so much with a script, but a tighter pace would have kept us more alert and would, perhaps, have enlivened the comedy we anticipated. There were humorous moments, however. With a cast of characters like this, something funny is bound to happen once in a while.

Perhaps the comedy is too "in" for the general public, the punch lines too esoteric. Or, perhaps if we understood that the play is more a collection of studies about a bunch of rotten characters than a humorous morality play we would have enjoyed it more.

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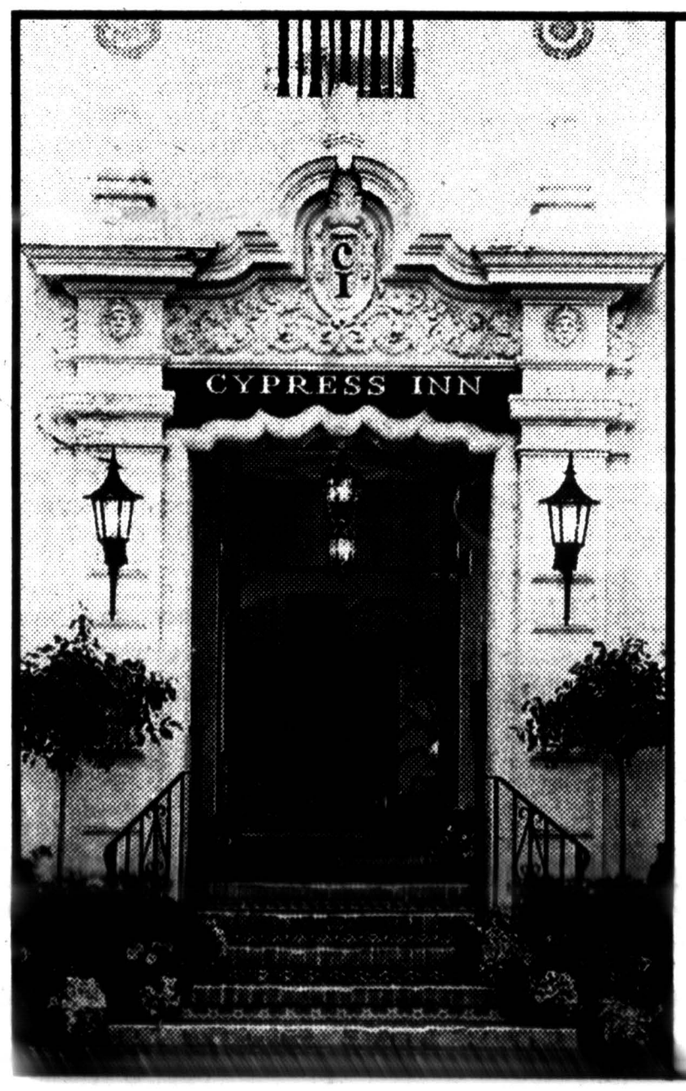

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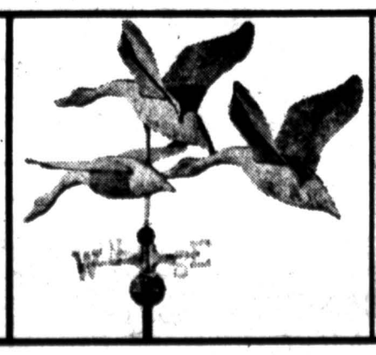

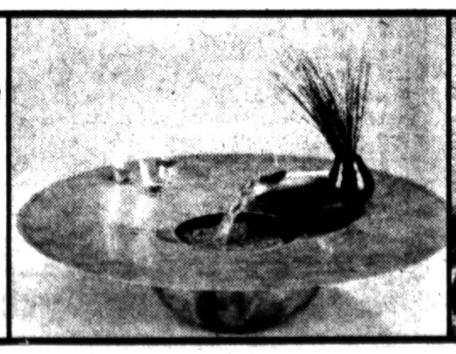

■ THEATER REVIEW

'Merry Wives' rocks the Golden Bough

By TOM BIRMINGHAM and ERIN GAFILL

CARMEL SHAKE-SPEARE Festival's second offering, "The Merry Wives of Windsor," is a romp and a circus. All but the darkest Shakespearean tragedies are lightened with an oddball or two thrown in for comic relief. Under the skilled direction of Kathy Deskin-Jacobs, this production is all comic relief. We checked the program twice, half expecting to find the words DesiLu Productions instead of Carmel's own first family of theater: Moorer-Hughett (aka Pacific Repertory Theatre).

A Shakespeare festival gives the community an opportunity to experience Shakespearean theater without traveling to Oregon. Pacific Repertory Theatre has been bringing the Carmel Shake-speare festival to the Peninsula for many years, and it serves well.

When you see "Merry Wives," think back a moment to "I Love Lucy." Lucy tells Ethel that a rogue from the local bar wants to woo her behind Ricky's back; together they hatch a plot to cook the lout's goose. Of course, when Ricky discovers the interloper's intentions, he plots to expose Lucy's unfaithful heart. Ricky and Fred concoct a fool-proof plan which includes Ricky donning an eye-patch, rendering him unrecognizable to every one of his friends. Zaniness ensues!

Substitute the Fords for Ricky and Lucy and the Pages for Fred and Ethel and you get the general picture. This production is as much fun as any situation comedy, and who would guess you're getting culture to boot?

Steve Judge's pleasing set is a compact town square featuring the Page, Ford and Caius households and the local tavern where Falstaff reigns supreme. The play is peopled with characters named Shallow, Simple and Slender. Simple, played by an engaging Rob Devlin, is a lap dog of a serving man to the foppish and unworldly Slender, (Michael Lojkovic, last seen hanging by his neck downstairs as Osric in P.R.T.'s other current offering, "Fortinbras"). Peter M. Eberhardt plays Master Page with somnolent jocularity.

And then there is Falstaff (John Rousseau), the rogue who tries to woo the merry wives. Falstaff (Prince Hal's outrageous side-kick in "Henry IV, Parts I and II") was such a popular character with Queen Elizabeth that she commanded a new play be written just for the pleasure of seeing him again.

Here, he is the biggest thing to take center ring since P.T. brought the elephant to town. While Rousseau delivers his character with a droll sense of humor, he also imbues Falstaff with a kind of charm that makes you almost believe the ladies of this small town might actually fall for his proposals . . . almost. Rousseau's performance is exceptional.

While Maryann Schaupp-Rousseau as Mistress Page, can barely contain her amusement at Falstaff's expense, we can't help but laugh along. She is a perfect foil for Julie Hughett's sparkling Mistress Ford.

Shane Stokes, jealous Master Ford, is hilarious. In pursuit of the truth about his wife's virtue, he disguises himself as a Mister Brook to sniff out the truth, only to endure Falstaff's tales of wooing his wife, each word a rapier thrust into a vital organ.

Michael Jacobs' Pistol, Steward Lyle's hilarious French Doctor Caius and Shannon Warrick's Mistress Quickly are all top-shelf performances. We hate to write a review which lists performance after performance, but the quality of the work here makes us loath to omit any. Several of the actors are working both upstairs and down, with "Fortinbras" in the theater below and "Merry Wives" above.

Both productions are superb. Don't choose. Go see both!

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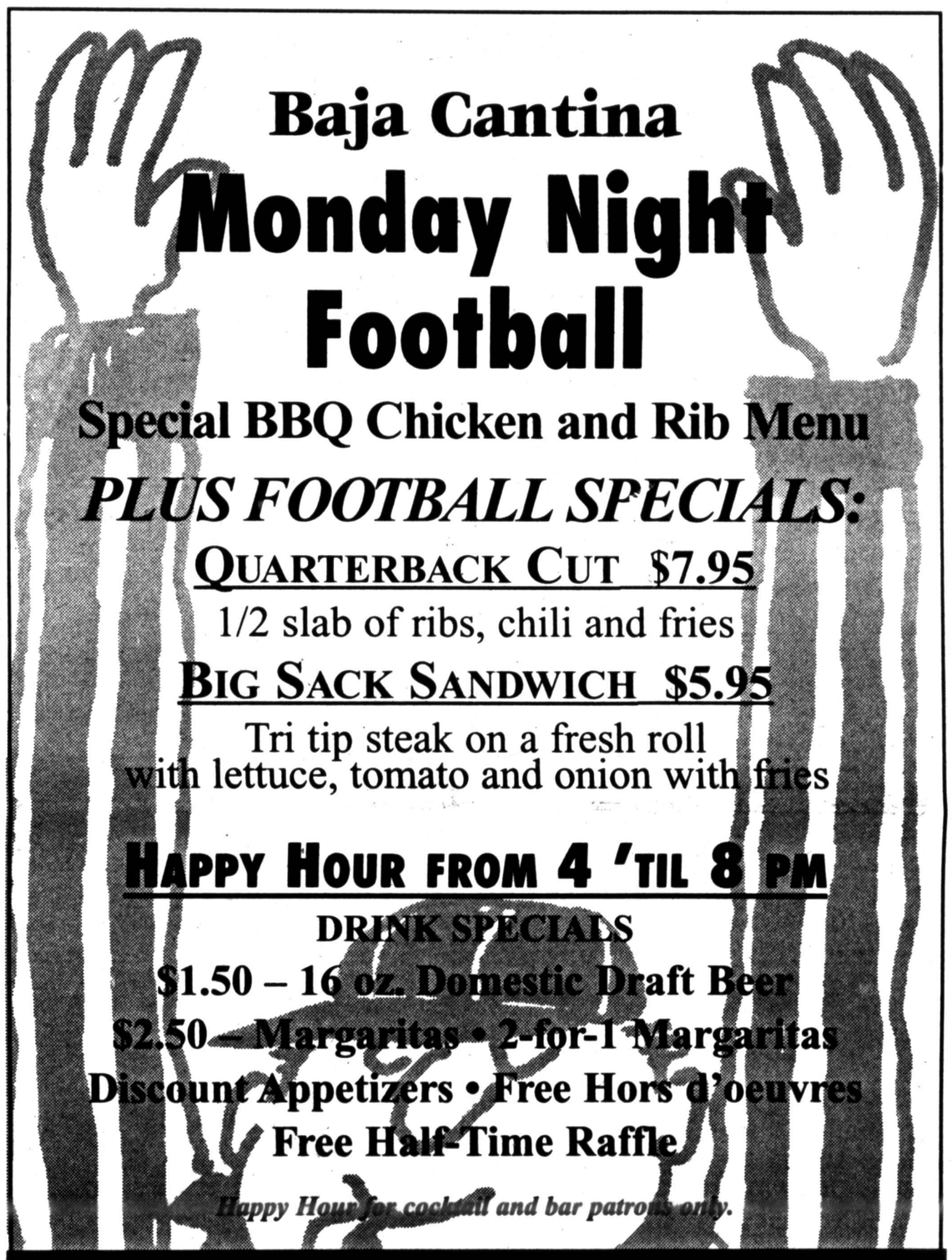
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Despite delay request council cuts check for CBA grant

By TAMARA GRIPPI

AT THE Carmel City Council meeting Sept. 14, members of the Carmel Business Association wondered how long they would have to wait to receive the $100,000 grant for their marketing program.

While the council had already approved the grant back in June, some council members were concerned that the grant would be used to promote businesses outside the city limits.

"Fifty percent of the businesses that belong to the CBA are outside the city limits," said Carmel City Councilwoman Barbara Livingston, who asked to continue the decision until a public hearing could be held.

"We have a fiscal responsibility to the city," said Councilman Marshall Hydorn. "We have to be careful where our money is spent."

CBA president Csaba Ajan appealed to the council to go ahead and cut the check. "I believe it was known that the 'Guide to Carmel' had members not within the strict limits," Ajan said, referring to a brochure produced to promote the city.

"It's ludicrous that once we bring travel writers in, that we put shackles on them and say you cannot step outside [the city limits] and see Pebble Beach or the environments."

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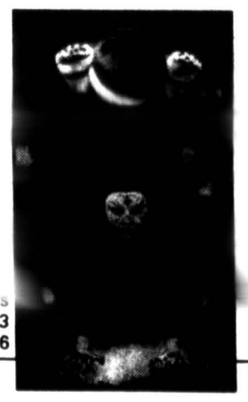

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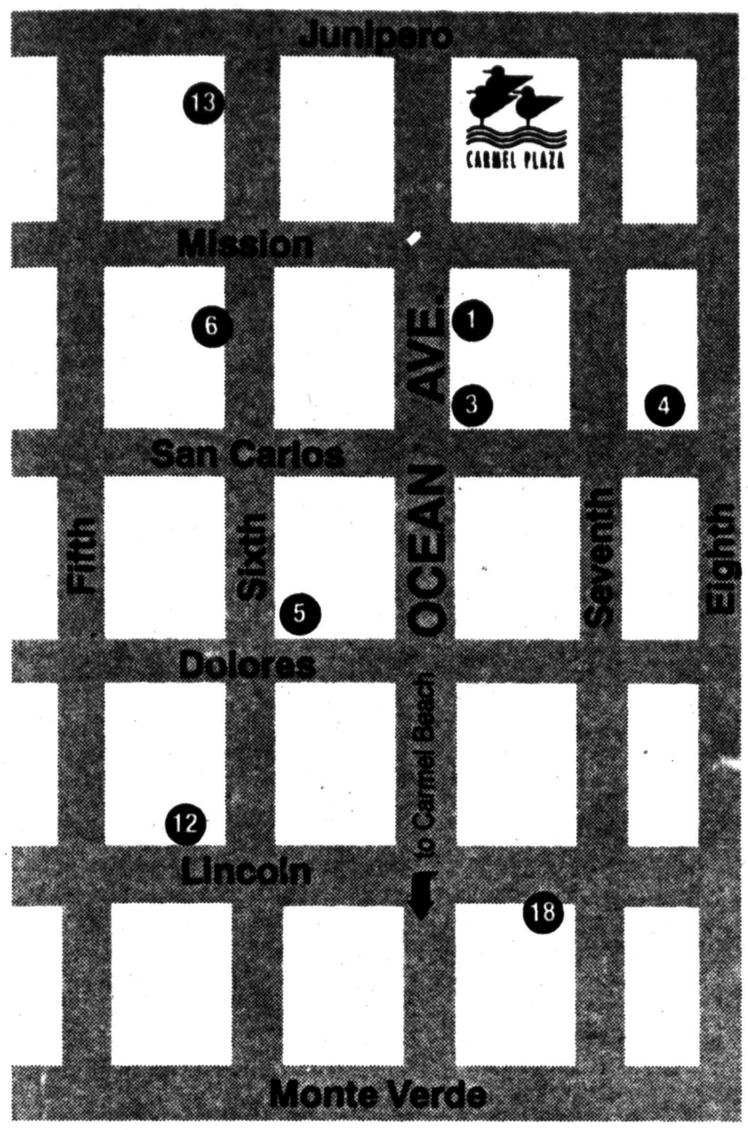

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OPINION

Editorial

It's the climbing lane, stupid

A CALTRANS engineer was practically reduced to tears by the rough going-over she got from the Monterey County Planning Commission last week.

She innocently showed up to present Caltrans' plans for three minor changes to Highway 1 as it creeps slowly through Carmel, but the commissioners didn't want to have anything to do with the "improvements" she described.

There was no way for her to foresee the frosty reception she would get. After all, changes to the existing roadway are the #1 priority of Monterey County's elected officials — Dave Potter and Fred Keeley — who are principally responsible for Peninsula road construction projects.

And with the Hatton Canyon freeway freshly in its grave, Potter and Keeley have been pressuring Caltrans management to move forward as quickly as possible with a package of improvements to the existing highway.

So the engineer probably expected to be thanked for bringing some of those very improvements to the planning commission for approval. Instead, she was sent packing.

"These changes won't provide any measurable improvement," one commission lamented.

"A high school class could come up with a solution to the traffic problem on Highway 1 in about 15 minutes," another commissioner said mockingly as he prepared to vote against the Caltrans plan.

"If we turn this down long enough, maybe Caltrans will bring us something long-term," a third commissioner said.

Their criticisms of the particular improvements before them were right on target. Small changes to the intersections at Ocean Avenue and Carpenter Street will do less for the traffic problems on Highway 1 than a band-aid would for a compound hip fracture.

Unfortunately, the commissioners didn't offer any solutions of their own, or any encouragement to Caltrans to keep the midnight oil burning, or even any expression of the importance of the issue at hand. The planning commission — like everybody else — is frustrated with the perennial lack of progress on Highway 1. But right now it's more important than ever for them to keep their eye on the ball. And it's equally important for Caltrans not to lose sight of the vast public support for a practical solution to the Highway 1 traffic woes.

Some of the improvements to Highway 1 that have been kicking around for years do not have that support because the public can't see much good coming from them. But one of those improvements — a second uphill lane from Carmel Valley Road to Morse Drive — would produce magical results and would also allow a much better analysis of what other improvements, if any, are needed over the next 25 years. After the climbing lane is built future decisions about Highway 1 and Hatton Canyon can be based on empirical information, not speculation, about the true capacity of the existing corridor.

We urge Caltrans, Potter and Keeley to preach the climbing lane whenever and wherever possible. If their voices — and the public's — are loud enough, officials in Sacramento who control the highway purse strings will have to listen.

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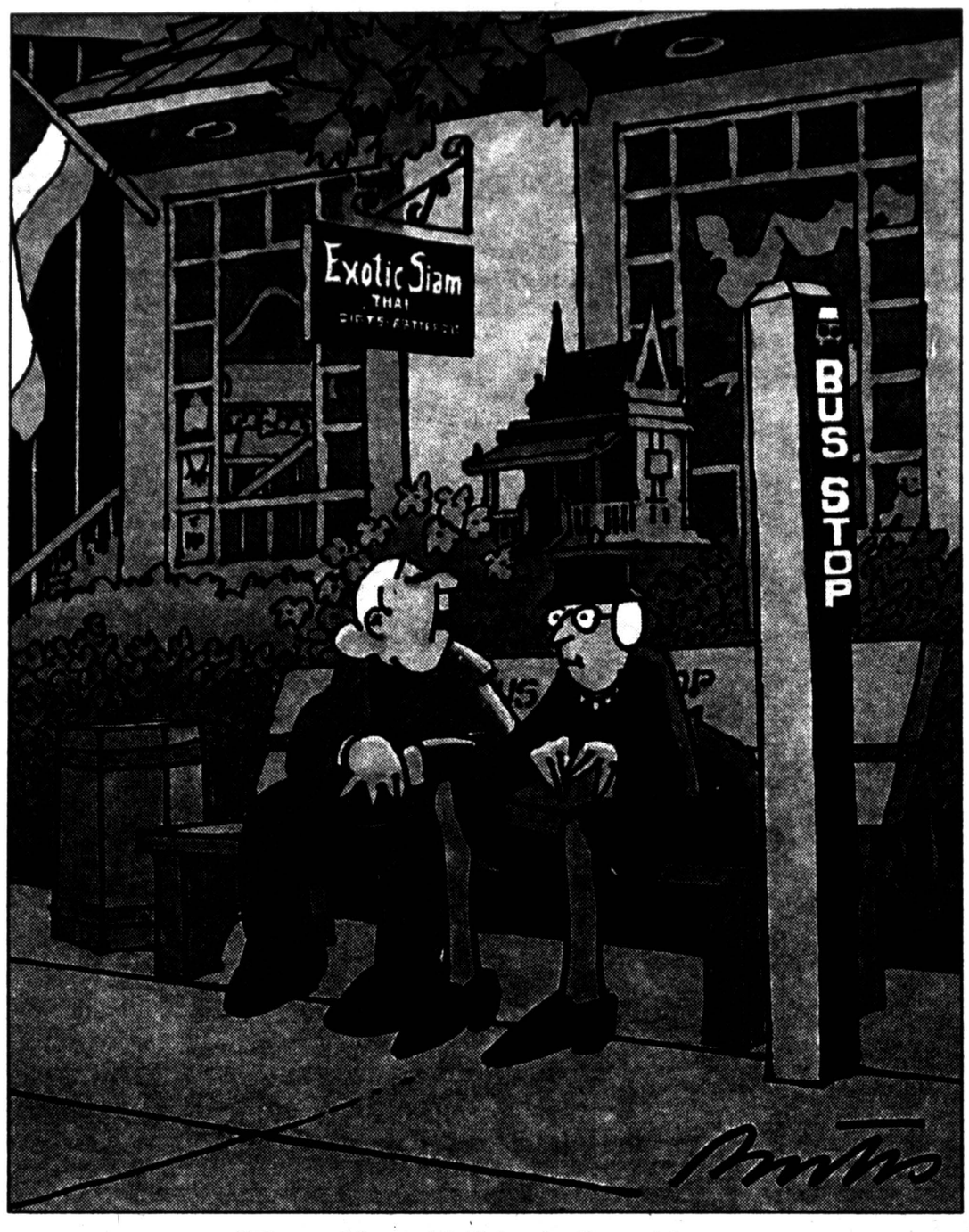

"The problem with living in Carmel is . . . where do you go on vacation?"

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B & B not on BSLT land

Dear Editor:

The Big Sur Land Trust (BSLT) wants your readers to know that it has had no involvement whatsoever in the conversion of the Stone House at Point Lobos from a residence to a 10-unit bed and breakfast. Your Sept. 10, 1999 article seemed to imply that the Stone House was on the 1,312 acre Point Lobos Ranch, which was purchased by BSLT in 1993.

In fact, the Stone House was not part of BSLT's Point Lobos Ranch acquisition, and still is owned by the partnership which sold the ranch.

BSLT has expressed concerns about the B & B being inconsistent with the county's land use plan and creating a commercial operation in the middle of a future state park. However, the Monterey County Planning Commission approved a use permit for the B & B inn.

Zad Leavy
Executive Director, Big Sur Land Trust

Likes San Carlos the way it is

Dear Editor:

On September 14 I attended the City Council meeting and listened to a long, emotional dialogue from San Carlos Street (10th to 13th Avenue) residents which encouraged the council to vote to apply for a $200,00 federal grant to "enhance" their street.

I regret that I lacked the courage to stand up (and take a few arrows in my back) and let the council know how I felt about the discussion. San Carlos is a great street just as it is; it is one of but a few residential streets that has a real sidewalk along its east side

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Milestones

A memorial gathering and open house are planned Saturday, Sept. 18 for **SPEIRS RUSKELL** of Carmel, who died Sept. 9. He was 84.

Mr. Ruskell arrived in Carmel as a 19-year-old from County Wicklow, Ireland. He maintained his home here while making movies for 20th Century Fox. He served in the U.S. Army in World War II and became a U.S. citizen. Mr. Ruskell returned to Carmel where he worked at the Carmel Post Office until his retirement in 1977. After retirement, he became interested in oil painting and his work was exhibited at the Casa Dolores and Beeches galleries He studied acting under Ted Kuster and oil painting under Sam Colburn.

He is survived by his wife, Snelmerdene, four children, John, Rodney, Paul and Stephanie Ruskell, three grandchildren, a brother and sister.

Friends are invited to meet between 3 and 5 p.m. Sept. 18 at the family home on Escolle and Perry Newberry Way in Carmel.

Memorials are suggested to the Sponsored Care Fund of Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula.

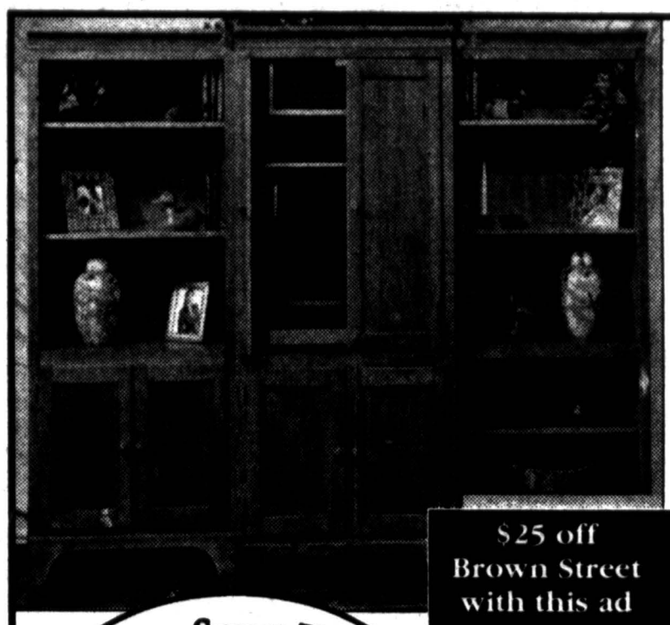
A memorial service will begin at 11:30 a.m. Friday, Sept. 17 in the Pacific Grove Community Center for **NOVELLA NICHOLSON**, 91, of Carmel Valley. Mrs. Nicholson earned graduate degrees in education from the University of Southern California. She was a teacher and administrator in Southern California for 42 years.

Mrs. Nicholson was a founding member of the Alliance on Aging, and also belonged to the California Retired Teacher's Assoc., Carmel Foundation, U.S.C. Alumni and the Carmel Valley Property Owners Assoc.

Memorials are suggested to the Alliance on Aging Visitor Program.

Services will take place Sunday, Sept. 19 for **MARIANNE CHAMBERLIN FRANCE**, 74, who died Sept. 8 at her Pebble Beach home. Mrs. France was a U.C. Berkeley graduate and a member of the Monterey Peninsula Country Club and the Church in the Forest. She was preceded in death by her husband, Gordon, in 1990.

Mrs. France's memorial service will begin at 2 p.m. Sept. 19 at the Church in the Forest. Memorials are suggested to the Monterey Museum of Art.



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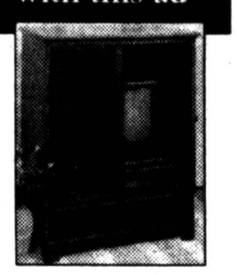

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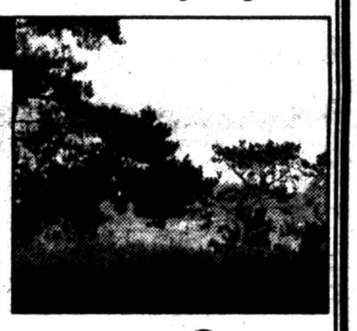

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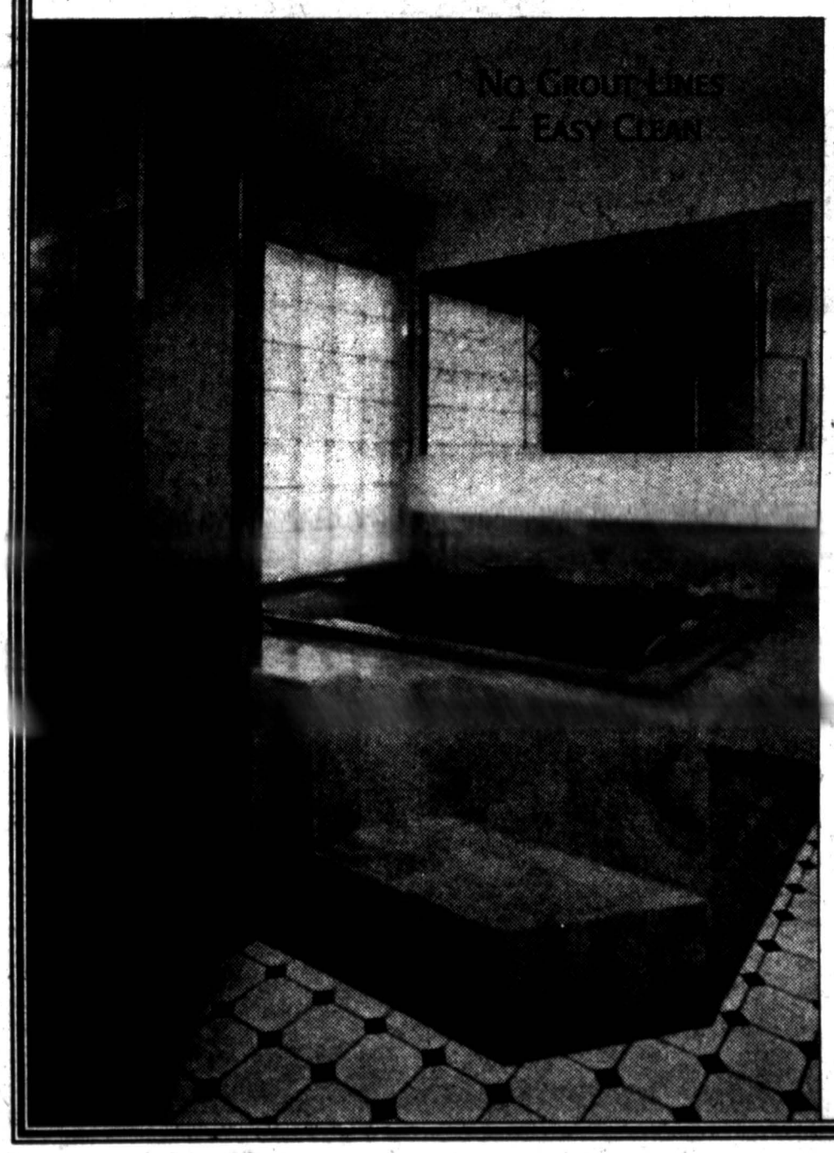

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OPPOSE

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member expressed support for either the moratorium (which would halt all construction for a period of up to two years) or the B-8 zoning overlay (which would allow construction on about 300 existing lots of record and some commercial expansion — if water is available — but would allow no subdivisions, no new commercial buildings and no public projects like parks, churches or day care centers.)

Demi Briscoe

Briscoe sent a letter Sept. 10 to 5th District Supervisor Dave Potter, urging him to vote against a building moratorium and against B-8 zoning.

"We think the Carmel Valley Master Plan has served the valley very well," Briscoe said. "We haven't been built out to the maximum, not even close. There hasn't been this rush to get building permits that was anticipated. It's a lot of wild speculation out there that is not backed up by the facts."

The chamber "feels strongly that the problems in Carmel Valley relate to the traffic congestion at the mouth" of the valley, and that the supervisors should dedicate themselves to solving the traffic mess instead of disrupting the balance of residential, agricultural and business development that has been maintained under the master plan.

Several other groups in the valley, including the Carmel Valley Property Owners Association, have pushed for a total building moratorium until the traffic problems are solved.

Both the Monterey County Planning Commission and the Board of Supervisors have hearings scheduled on the moratorium/B-8 zoning issues. The supervisors will consider an emergency moratorium on Sept. 21 in a public hearing at 10 a.m.; the planning commissioners will continue their public hearing on development limit options Sept. 29.

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■ This week's cover home presented by John Saar of John Saar Properties (see page 2)

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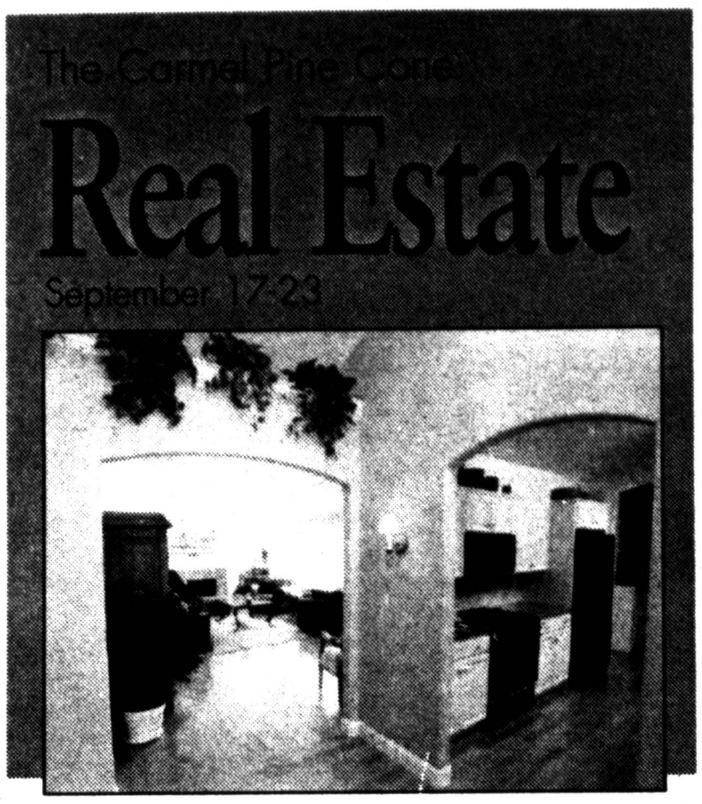

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REAL ESTATE

Home sales the week of Aug. 29-Sept. 4, 1999

CARMEL

SAN CARLOS ST.: $828,500
William G. G. & Patricia E. Wilson to Willsie H. & Joan K. Nelson

26224 CARMELO ST.: $775,000
Catherine A. Valentine to Glenn M. & Margaret J. Laden

SANTA FE ST.: $765,000
Stemit Corp. to Hermina M. Dallas

CARMEL- SOUTH COAST

HIGHWAY 1: $1,300,000
Ashley Brothers Ranch to Howard L. & Jeannine English Dickstein

CARMEL VALLEY

246 HACIENDA CARMEL:
Ann Hilton to Martha F. Pazzaglia

1 OAK MEADOW: $2,275,000
Don & Pati P. Springmeyer Tr. to Peter H. & Susan J. Loewy

COUNTRY CLUB DRIVE: $520,000
Patricia J. Neil to Nancy G. Mayer

73 HACIENDA CARMEL: $193,500
Jonathan S. & Victoria G. Macy to Helen L. Hill

PEBBLE BEACH

1046 VAQUERO ROAD: $767,500
Robert C. Scott to William G. West

1306 PORTOLA ROAD: $825,000
John J. Bartowick Tr. to David Papera

3301 17 MILE DRIVE #18: $1,245,500
David W. Grainger to Charles S. Winston Jr.

3177 DEL CIERVO ROAD: $3,800,000
Trois Bois Ltd. to Christo & Sara Bardis

3157 INDIAN VILLAGE ROAD: $750,000
John M. & Ina E. Prosser Tr. to Robert & Vivian Snyder

990 PIONEER ROAD: $698,000
James J. & Sara L. Seltzer Tr. to Joseph E. & Carol A. Mori

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$489,000

PRUNEDALE, Berta Canyon
3.5 acre lot with water – **$149,000**

PACIFIC GROVE
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This well kept family home is in a most desirable pacific Grove neighborhood. This property is within walking distance to Cannery Row, shopping, schools and the ocean. You will enjoy the large sunny deck which offers a peek of the ocean.
$379,000

CARMEL VALLEY
Paso Mediano
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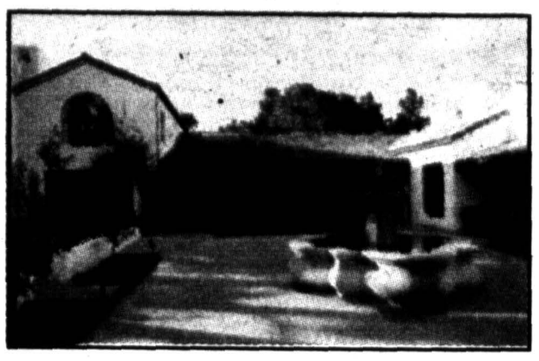
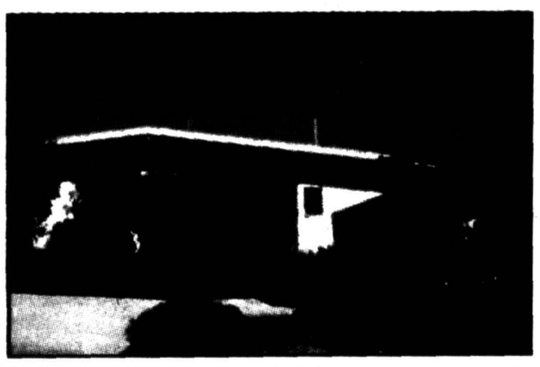


JACKS PEAK — One-of-a-kind Mexican Colonial compound on five acres with fabulous ocean, bay, valley and mountain vistas. Built with old world craftsmanship: hand-antiqued wide plank oak flooring, cathedral ceilings, hand-made iron windows and light fixtures, gourmet kitchen, skylights, mission-style plastered walls, French doors and four fireplaces. Enjoy indoor/outdoor entertaining on patios and expansive lawns. Fully equipped separate guest house and caretakers cottage.
$5,900,000 **624-0136**

CARMEL VALLEY — Quiet country charm with big city sophistication! On a private oak-studded acre with gorgeous views, you will enjoy almost 4,000 sq. ft. of uncompromising quality. This lovingly remodeled four bedroom, three bath home features Cathedral ceilings, four fireplaces, spacious family room, dining room and eat-in kitchen. Luxurious master suite with steam shower, Jacuzzi tub and sauna. Two-car garage and separate workshop. Reduced to
$899,000 **659-2267**



MONTEREY — Absolutely move-in condition! Adorable remodeled three bedroom, two bath home located in the desirable sunbelt area of Monterey. The home features a comfortable open floor plan, quaint eat-in kitchen area and living room with beautiful wood floors and fireplace. Gorgeous enclosed back deck with woodsy neighborhood views. Five year new roof. Priced to sell!
$429,000 **624-0136**

PEBBLE BEACH — A comfortable ranch style home on a quiet street in Pebble Beach, just a short stroll to Spanish Bay. The quarter acre lot is fully fenced and all useable. The house has three bedrooms, two baths, living room with fireplace, family room with wet bar and a two car garage. With a little cosmetic updating this home will sparkle.
$599,000 **624-0136**

OPEN HOUSES SATURDAY

Address	Host	Price
CARMEL VALLEY		
10100 Oakshire Drive 4 BR/4 BA	**Elaine St. John**	**$899,000** 2:00-4:30
MONTEREY/SALINAS HWY		
1533 Monterey Salinas 4 BR/3 BA	**John McCord**	**$665,000** 12:00-2:00
25415 Hidden Mesa Rd.xBit Rd. 4 BR/3 BA	**Larry Scholink**	**$465,000** 11:00-1:00
25415 Hidden Mesa Rd.xBit Rd. 4 BR/3 BA	**Joan Zielinski**	**$465,000** 1:00-3:00
22660 Gallant Fox 3 BR/2.5 BA	**David Ehrenpreis**	**$495,000** 12:00-2:00
11358 Saddle Road 3 BR/3.5 BA	**Miles Martin**	**$849,000** 2:30-4:30
MONTEREY		
520 Toyon 3 BR/2 BA	**Miles Martin**	**$429,000** 12:00-2:00
131 Spray Avenue 3 BR/2 BA	**Dale Thies**	**$495,000** 2:00-4:00
751 Archer Street 3 BR/2 BA	**Roberta Grisales**	**$410,000** 2:00-4:00

OPEN HOUSES SUNDAY

CARMEL		
24694 Pescadero 2BR/1 BA	**Mark Trapin**	**$449,000** 11:00-1:00
CARMEL VALLEY		
6090 Brookdale Drive 3 BR/3 BA	**Bobbie Ehrenpreis**	**$995,000** 2:30-4:30
53 Toyon Way 4 BR/3 BA	**Bob Whitlock**	**$795,000** 1:00-4:00
MONTEREY/SALINAS HWY		
25415 Hidden Mesa Rd.xBit Rd. 4 BR/3 BA	**Joan Zielinski**	**$465,000** 1:00-3:00
11358 Saddle Road 3 BR/3.5 BA	**Miles Martin**	**$849,000** 1:00-4:00
MONTEREY		
520 Toyon 3 BR/2 BA	**Myrle Maclaughlin**	**$429,000** 1:00-3:00

LOTS AND LAND

CARMEL VALLEY — One of the few remaining lots in this nice area of sunny C.V. Glorious mountain and valley views to the west. Water not available at this time.
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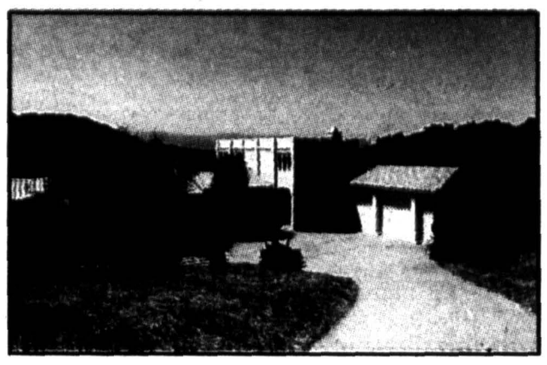
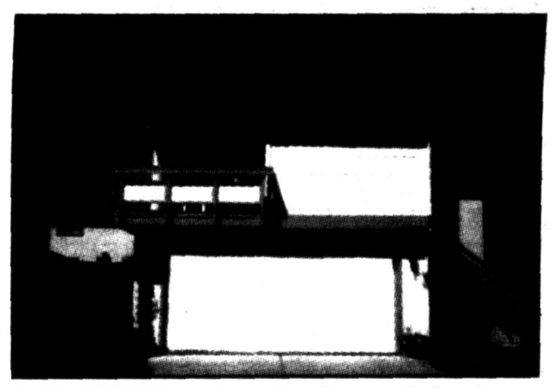
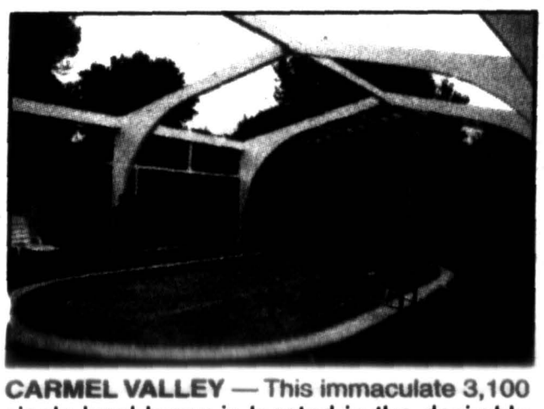


MONTEREY/SALINAS HWY — On a 1.87 acre lot sits this 10-year new three bedroom, three and one half bath quality built home with a wonderful floor plan. The kitchen opens up to a spacious family room with a two-way fireplace. The master suite, which is on the main level, has its own sitting room and lavish bath. Other amenities include old-world Spanish tiling, three car garage and mountain views.
$849,000 **624-0136**

CARMEL — Cute and comfortable two bedroom, one bath home in a convenient close to town location. The home has a large living room with wood burning fireplace, nice wood floors and indoor laundry room. The large sunny yard would be great for barbeques, a patio and/or garden area. Carport with extra storage room. Perfect Carmel weekend getaway or full-time residence!
$525,000 **624-0136**



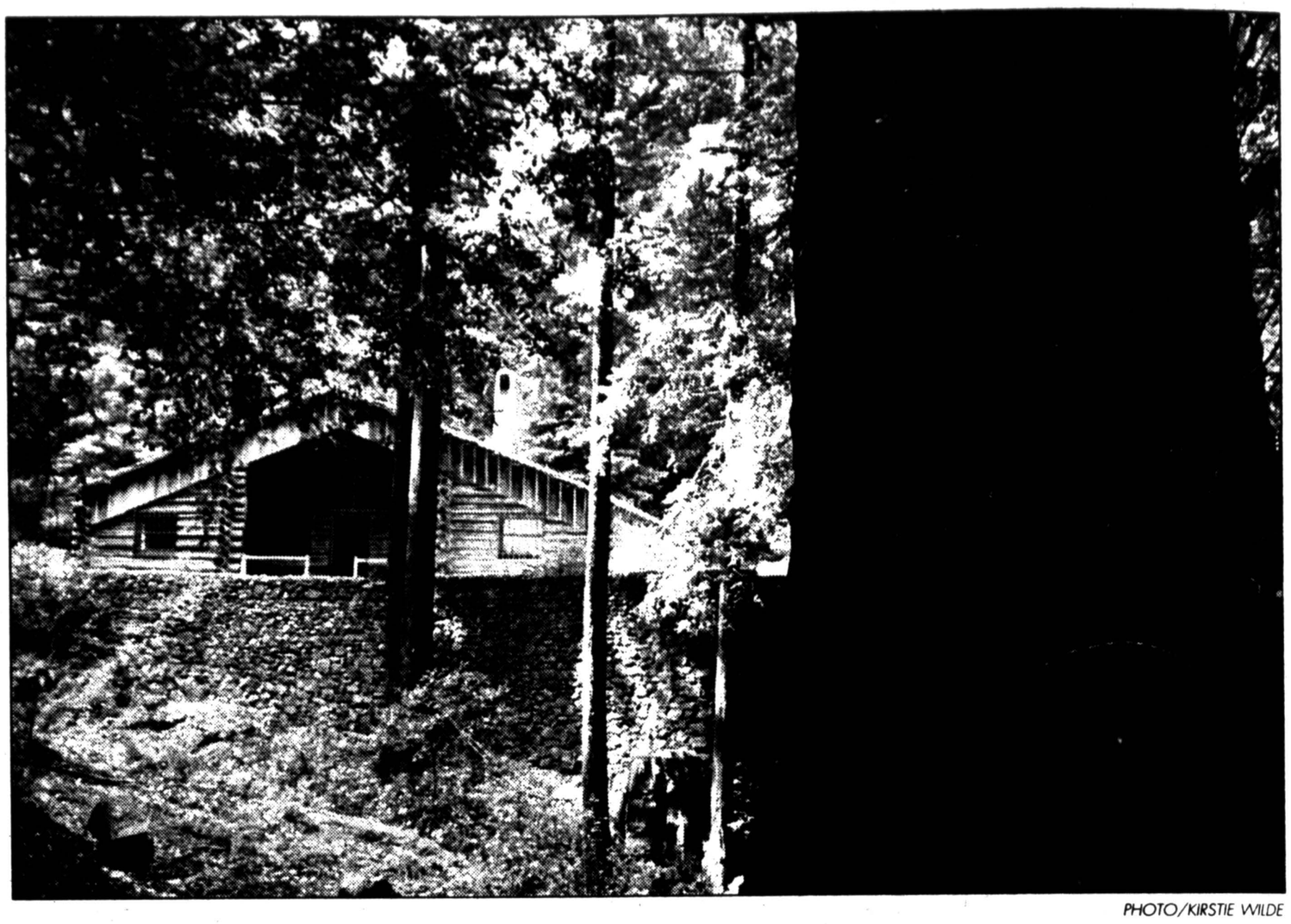
MONTEREY — Lovely views of the inner harbor, glittering city lights, and the surrounding hills make this charming three bedroom, two and one half bath home simply irresistible. Meticulously maintained by the original owners, this home in move-in condition! A drip system makes garden maintenance a breeze, leaving more time to enjoy outdoor living on the two decks and large patio. Two-car garage.
$495,000 **624-0136**



CARMEL VALLEY — This immaculate 3,100 single-level home is located in the desirable close-in Brookdale area of Carmel Valley. The home has been extensively remodeled and features three bedrooms, three baths, a huge kitchen/den with entertainment built-ins, new cabinets, living room with fireplace, hardwood floors and much, much more. Relax in the sunshine on the tiled patio next to the beautiful heated swimming pool.
$995,000 **659-2267**

Carmel Valley's hidden treasure — the Mitteldorf Preserve

By TAMARA GRIPPI



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Hikers and travelers staying at the Mitteldorf Preserve's rustic lodge, dating back to the 1920s, get a great view of Monterey County's oldest redwood tree, estimated by the Big Sur Land Trust to be 800 years old.

MANY NATURE lovers who think they're discovered every last inch of scenic beauty on the Monterey Peninsula haven't ventured into the 1,057-acre Mitteldorf Preserve in the hills above Carmel Valley. Fewer still know that for the price of a moderately expensive hotel room, the spectacular forest and its gorgeous, historic log lodge can be rented for a personal retreat.

This shady sanctuary of redwoods with streams flowing through its canyons was private property until it was purchased by the Big Sur Land Trust in 1990 with the help of a $1.3 million donation from Arthur and Harriet Mitteldorf of Pebble Beach and $50,000 from Helen Hobart.

The land, which includes Monterey County's largest tree, was set to be logged. Instead, the land trust leads hikes through the redwoods and oak woodlands several times a year and the preserve's 1920s-era lodge is available to private groups for picnics or weekend getaways.

Many locals are unaware that such a serene wilderness exists so close to Carmel Valley Road. Even Mrs. Mitteldorf was surprised the first time she was taken to see the property that she and her husband Art ultimately saved from logging.

"I hadn't realized there was such a nice redwood grove that's close enough for us to go on daily hikes," Mitteldorf said. "The thought of it being harvested really perturbed me."

The redwoods, oaks, bays and madrones provide homes to a whole host of wild animals including mountain lions, foxes, bobcats, snakes and wild turkeys. Much of the redwood grove is resurging from the timbering done there in the 1980s.

The land trust bought the property from Westbrook Lumber, one of the last lumber companies to log in Monterey County.

"They had already taken 3.2 million board-feet of redwoods out of here," said Zad Leavy, director of the land trust.

Environmentalist Earl Moser was instrumental in saving the oldest and largest trees in the thousand acres. Moser actually negotiated with the lumber company to mark the biggest trees to be saved.

One of those trees, affectionately known as Big Red, is Monterey County's largest and oldest redwood tree — a behemoth that measures approximately 250 feet high with a 47-foot circumference.

Westbrook was not the first lumber company to log redwood trees on the preserve. The property has changed hands numerous times since 1874, when some of the land was first claimed for the Sargent Ranch, predecessor to the Palo Corona Ranch.

In 1904, Shadrack Williams homesteaded one-fourth of the land on the northern section of the preserve. Twenty years later George Cordon Moore bought the northeast section of the preserve to include in his Rancho San Carlos.

Then in the 1920s Maria Antonia Field and her brother, Stephen Field, put 12 homesteads together in one piece of land which eventually became the 5,400-acre Rancho Junipero Serra, according to Lloyd Morain, who later owned the property in the 1960s and 1970s.

According to Morain, Stephen Field built the upper cabin designed for entertaining, while his sister built the lodge, which the land trust now rents out to weekend guests for $250 per couple, or $500 for groups of three or more. Exclusive day use of the lodge and patio from 8 a.m. until dusk is available for groups up to 25 people for $250.

The lodge is surrounded by stone walls, built by workmen brought in from Italy, Morain said. The swimming pool, which used to be filled by a bubbling brook that still trickles by, is empty now — home to a couple of harmless snakes that peer from the leaf-covered bottom.

In 1955 the Carter Bros. Lumber Company bought the entire ranch and logged the property until 1965 when they sold it to the Lloyd and Mary Morain.

"We said, 'Oh, if they're going to log that property ...' and on the spur of the moment we bought it," Lloyd Morain said. "We put down the initial payment without any study or anything."

The Morains paid $600,000 for the 5,400

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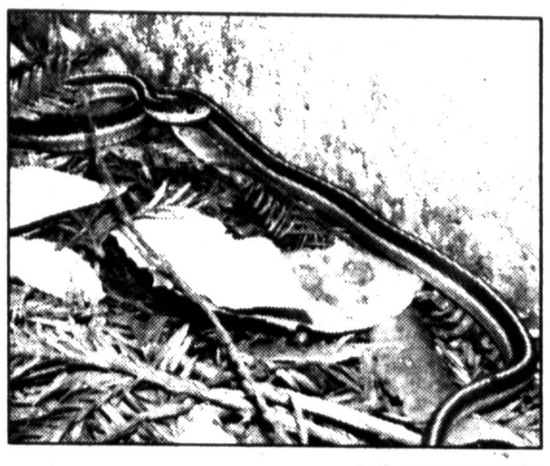

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A western ribbon snake peers from the bottom of the old swimming pool at the lodge.

acres. Morain said he was first acquainted with the property when he was producing the John Steinbeck motion picture, "Flight," nearby.

When the Morains decided to sell the property, they were convinced that there was no longer any possibility of logging. "The board of supervisors said there would be no more logging," Morain said. "And we knew we didn't have a right of way (to reach the property)."

So the couple sold the property to the Westbrook Land and Timber Company, which promised to keep the land in a preserve, according to Morain.

However, the company was able to obtain an easement and logging soon began. "Mary and I were so depressed about it we couldn't go up there for some years," he said.

Later, Westbrook defaulted on the mortgage and the Morains reclaimed title to the southern 4,400 acres. That land is now owned by John Murphy.

Then in 1990, the Mitteldorfs came through with the funding that allowed the land trust to buy the land and put a conservation easement on 1,057 acres.

The forest's resurgence

While circles of new redwoods are cropping up where the old trees had been cut, the land trust is also undertaking stream restoration.

"We're pulling out the large logs they left," Leavy said. "We'd like to clean up the land a little."

Renting out the lodge for picnics and weekend guests provides money for some of the restoration and maintenance.

"It's getting much heavier impact and usage than it used to," Mitteldorf said. "But I understand it's expensive to maintain and the land trust wants to use it [the lodge] as an asset to help."

"We prefer day use," Leavy said. "We don't want to overburden the land. It's not open for full public use."

Leavy said the land trust also uses the preserve for day camps to educate youngsters about the environment, a use which the land trust hopes will someday pay dividends by encouraging them to care about protecting open space. And last summer, the land trust brought teen-aged volunteers out to restore the watershed while staying in the preserve and sleeping under the stars.

The land trust will offer several hikes in the preserve this fall, exploring trails that wind near the lodge and tougher trails that cover Echo Ridge.

Mrs. Mitteldorf recommends the Williams Canyon Trail, her favorite in the preserve.

For information about visiting the Mitteldorf Preserve, contact the Big Sur Land Trust at 625-5523.

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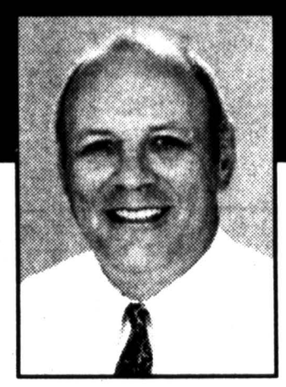

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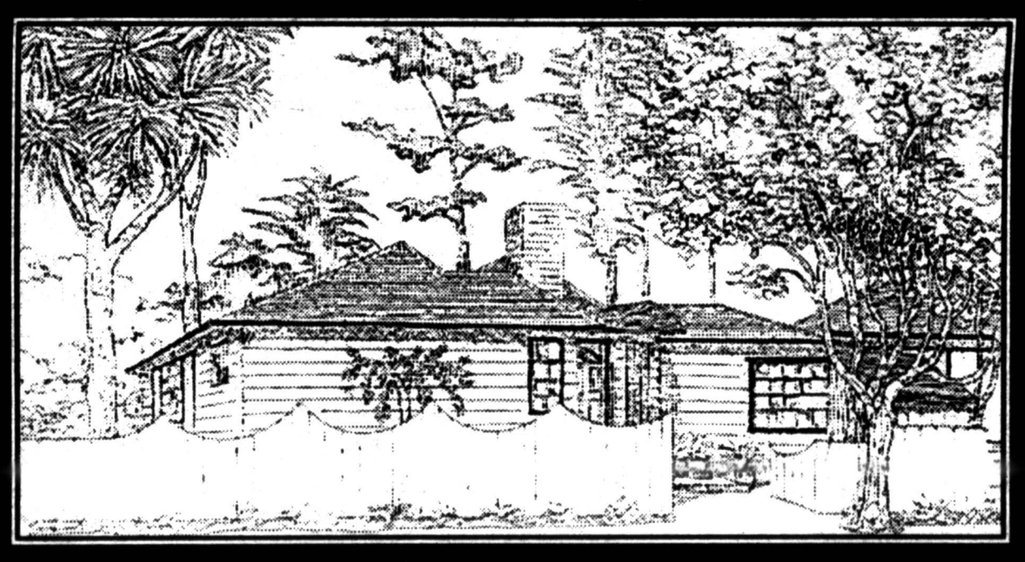

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"Belle Charmonte" is a custom, light filled, European styled residence in prime Carmel's Golden Rectangle. Behind a quaint picket fence, a beautiful Carmel stone walkway leads to the beveled glass Dutch front door. The open floor plan boasts of the following: large living room with fireplace, gourmet kitchen, 'Great Room' with fireplace and bay window, generous sized bedroom downstairs, two beautifully appointed baths, master suite with fireplace, walk-in closet, dressing room, romantic balcony and peeks of the ocean, enchanting private flower-filled courtyard and garage with two phone lines and windows. Priced below current appraisal!

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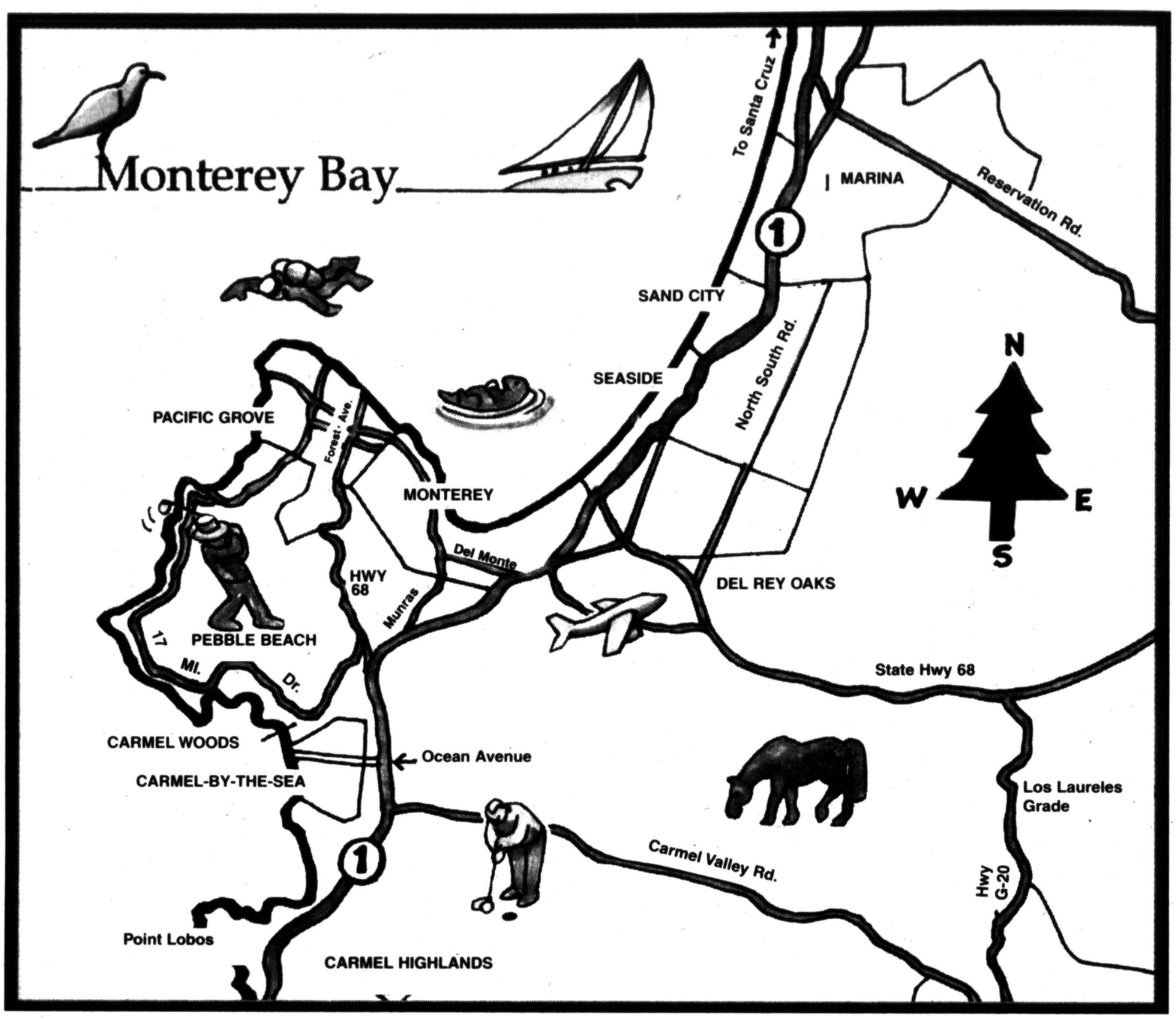

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3602 Eastfield Rd		Carmel
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Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2222
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24000 Fairfield Place		Carmel
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SE Cor Santa Fe & 4th		Carmel
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28886 Santa Lucia		Carmel
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Monte Verde 5 SW 5th		Carmel
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3425 Mountain View		Carmel
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2221
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5025 Paso Venado		Carmel
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2478 17th Ave		Carmel
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Santa Lucia 2 NE of Scenic		Carmel
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Carmel Valley

$335,000	2bd 1ba	Sa 1-4
162 El Echo Rd		Carmel Valley
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2222
$425,000	2bd 1ba	Sa 5-6 Su 2-4
27655 Selfridge Lane		Carmel Valley
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75 Paso Hondo		Carmel Valley
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25460 Tierra Grande		Carmel Valley
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2221
$595,000	4bd 2ba	Su 12:30-3:30
532 Country Club Drive		Carmel Valley
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$725,000	3bd 3ba	Sa 3-4 Su 3-5
25751 Tierra Grande Drive		Carmel Valley
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53 Toyon Way		Carmel Valley
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$889,000	3bd 2ba	Su 2-5
11523 Hidden Hills		Carmel Valley
Alain Pinel Realtors		622-1040
$895,000	3bd 2.5ba	Sa & Su 1-4
9391 Holt Rd		Carmel Valley
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$899,000	4bd 4ba	Sa 2-4:30
10100 Oakshire Drive		Carmel Valley
Mitchell Group		624-0136
$995,000	4bd 4.5ba	Su 1-4
10124 Oakwood Circle		Carmel Valley
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2221
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$1,295,000	3bd 3ba	Su 2-4
189 San Remo		Crml Highland
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$324,900	3bd 1ba	Sa 2-4 Su 2-3
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7 Via Joaquin #8		Monterey
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751 Archer St		Monterey
Mitchell Group		624-0136
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$325,000	3bd 3ba	Su 2-4
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Burchell House Properties		624-6461
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Pacific Grove

$329,000	3bd 1.5ba	Sa 1-4
215 Alder		Pacific Grove
Alain Pinel Realtors		622-1040
$409,900	2bd 1ba	Su 1-3
451 Junipero		Pacific Grove
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708 Granite St		Pacific Grove
Alain Pinel Realtors		622-1040
$549,000		Su 2-4
1021 Olmstead Ave		Pacific Grove
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$575,000	3/2bd 2ba	Sa & Su 1:30-3
311 Crocker x Pico St		Pacific Grove
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2226

Pebble Beach

$399,000	2bd 2ba	Sa 2-4 Su10-12
22 Shepherd's Knoll		Pebble Beach
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$649,900	3bd 2ba	Su 1:30-3:30
3129 Patio Drive		Pebble Beach
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3076 Strawberry Hill Rd		Pebble Beach
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$725,000	3bd 2ba	Sa & Su 1-4
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3061 Bird Rock Rd		Pebble Beach
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1168 Rampart Rd		Pebble Beach
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1070 Wranglers Trail Rd		Pebble Beach
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2221
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2832 Sloat Rd		Pebble Beach
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1018 Broncho Rd		Pebble Beach
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1584 Griffin		Pebble Beach
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1010 Rodeo		Pebble Beach
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Salinas

$239,000	3bd 2ba	Sa 1-3
638 San Felipe		Salinas
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Seaside

$205,000	2bd 1ba	Sa & Su 1-4
1833 Waring		Seaside
Alain Pinel Realtors		622-1040
$355,000	3bd 2ba	Su 2-4
15 Heather Court		Seaside
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2222

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TALL HOUSE

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made the city's 24-foot height limit "illusory."

"There's a fundamental question here," said City Administrator Jere Kersnar, "Does the city have the right to set and enforce a height limit? I think we do."

But in a terse order issued Sept. 3, the appeals court rejected the city's dramatic plea, and refused to stay Judge Curtis's decision.

Despite its apparently grave fears about the city's future, the council this week unanimously reversed its rejection of the Golubs' 1,761-square-foot addition, which will now go through the city's design-review process and, most likely, be built.

"After seven years of struggling, my clients are very happy," said Vanessa Vallarta, an attorney with the firm Lombardo and Gilles, who represented the Golubs.

Their home — at 33 feet — is already one of the tallest in Carmel and towers over adjacent residences.

Its height provides the Golubs with magnificent views stretching from Pebble Beach to Point Lobos, but raised concerns about the possibility of other Carmel homes being built so tall.

After the Golub house was completed in 1971, the city lowered the height limit in the neighborhood to 24 feet, and then to 18 feet. Several homes just 18 feet tall have been built nearby.

But as the years passed, the great height of the Golubs' home became an impediment.

In her advancing years, Mrs. Golub could no longer easily walk or climb stairs, and she decided she needed to add an elevator and extra living space to her home.

"If you don't approve our plan, we won't be able to move full-time to Carmel, which is what we want to do," she said in 1994 at a permit hearing.

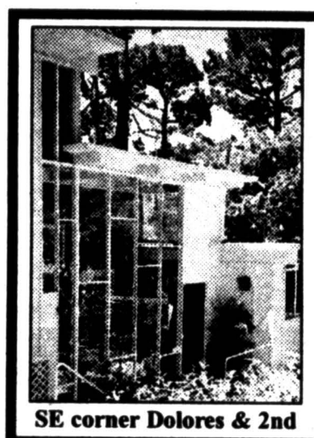
But the city decided, infirmities or no, the Golubs could not build a non-conforming addition to their non-conforming home, a decision that was reversed this week.

"At this point we're obliged to comply with the court's order, which is what the council decided to do," Kersnar said. "But the case is still not over and could be appealed again."

In the interim, he said, the addition will probably be approved and completed.

"There was a certain amount of inflexibility in this case that was shown by the city, which was unfortunate," Vallarta said. "And we still have to go through design review, so we're not completely through this year."

She also said that the Golubs have a civil rights claim pending against the city which could result in substantial monetary damages.



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LETTERS

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and it has beautiful trees on both sides. And it is a main north-south artery for police, fire and safety vehicles in times of emergency. It is also the route for tour buses as well as other large vehicles. It has been designated as a truck-bus route for many years.

The purpose of the federal money would be to create bump-outs, mini-parks and perhaps even median strips to provide traffic calming. A very effective traffic calming tool is a pervasive police presence and the issuance of tickets for speeding violations. We do not need to spend huge sums of money to create encumbrances for our safety vehicles, buses or ordinary citizen traffic.

Carmel-by the-Sea must come up with $35,000 - $40,000 to get this "free" grant money. There are so many other streets in our city which need repair and maintenance. Why tear up a well-constructed thoroughfare and create more landscaped areas to maintain and remove precious parking spaces?

Maybe a letter to the editor to express my viewpoint is better than plucking arrows from my back. Let your elected officials know how you feel about their decision.

Pat Sippel, *Carmel*

Respect elderly neighbors

Dear Editor,

In response to your editorial of September 10 entitled, "When Neighbors Fight" — our family has owned a home in Carmel since 1953 and we have seen many changes, most not for the better! It is understandable why emotions run high especially among long-time residents when changes occur around them that seem to go on unabated and without constraint . . . changes that are often annoying, intrusive and worse.

We are facing such a situation with our own home right now. The property immediately behind us, which has had the same owner as long as we have owned our property, has just been purchased by a new owner who plans to tear down the existing house and construct two new houses on what is a double lot. This seems to be an epidemic right now in Carmel. In our immediate neighborhood there have been several of these tear-down situations. Most of these new homes are very cheaply constructed, designed, as your editorial mentioned, for a quick "get in and get out" profit. Even several houses away the noise and disruption from the construction vehicles is considerable. This situation will be magnified a hundred times as it will be right behind us and will go on for at least eight months. My mother has recently had open heart surgery and her health cannot tolerate this happening at our back door! We are forced to sell our home which we built and have lived in for so long to avoid a situation she will not be able to stand. The other day, when we saw the new owners in the backyard, we wished to discuss the plans for the property. Unbelievable as it sounds they did not even respond to my mother's repeated greetings, choosing just to ignore her attempts to get their attention! If that isn't unneighborly and contrary to the traditional spirit of Carmel, I don't know what is!

Behavior like this is more than frustrating, it is counterproductive to the improvement of the city. Some safeguards to the peace of mind and well-being of Carmel's older citizens should be mandatory. It is a respect that they deserve and seems to be lacking. I am frankly not surprised at some of the hard feelings these older people have. What I am surprised at is the lack of consideration of some of the new builders and the fact that it is allowed to exist non-checked. Neighbors should be allowed to have an input as it is their existing infrastructure which is being violated.

Lorelei Gabel, *Carmel*

Neighbors' hypocrisy

Dear Editor,

My family and I enjoyed your Sept. 10 editorial, "When Neighbors Fight," very much. One of the most comical things about the attitude some Carmel people have is their vehement objection to construction on their street. On Monte Verde not too long ago one family raised holy heck about the noise, dust and so forth they claimed would be created by construction of a new house next door to them. This very same family had built their home just a few years before. Did they think that their project was somehow done silently and hygienically? Everybody's house was, at some point, a construction project. A family that builds now is just following in the older-timers' footsteps. It is hypocritical to pretend otherwise.

Phil Billings, *Carmel*

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE
of HELEN M. FRAZEL
Case Number MP 14609

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of HELEN M. FRAZEL.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by MILES FRAZEL in the Superior Court of California, County of MONTEREY.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that MILES FRAZEL be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held on September 17, 1999 at 9:00 a.m., Dept.: Probate, in the Superior Court of California, County of Monterey, 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within four months from the date of first issuance of letters as provided in Probate Code section 9100. The time for filing claims will not expire before four months from the hearing date noticed above.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a *Request for Special Notice* (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A *Request for Special Notice* form is available from the court clerk.

Attorney for petitioner
THOMAS HART HAWLEY
P.O. Box 805
Carmel, CA 93921
(831) 624-5339

(s) THOMAS HART HAWLEY, Attorney for Petitioner.
Publication dates: Sept. 3, 10, 17, 1999. (PC901)

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY
In the Matter of the Application of LUIS ANGEL HERNANDEZ/MARCO HERNANDEZ, a minor, by MARGARITO CHAVELAS, his father, petitioner, for Change of Name
Case No. M45281.

WHEREAS, Margarito Chavelas, petitioner, as father of applicant Luis Angel Hernandez/Marco Hernandez, a minor, has filed a petition with the clerk of this court for a decree changing applicant's name from Luis Angel Hernandez/Marco Hernandez to Luis Angel Chavelas/Marco Chavelas;

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above matter appear in Department __ of this court, located at 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940, on October. 1, 1999, at 9:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, and show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this order to show cause be published in The Carmel Pine Cone, a newspaper of general circulation printed in Monterey, County, California, once a week for four consecutive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition.

Date: Aug 11, 1999.
Publication dates: Sept. 3, 10, 17, 24, 1999. (PC902).

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. F991603. The following persons are doing business as **U. S. VIDEO**, 17571 Vierra Canyon Road, Salinas, CA 93907. DONG HEUN KIM, 825 S. San Tomas Aquino Rd #3, Campbell, CA 95008. This business is conducted by an individual. (s) Dong H. Kim. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on August 16, 1999. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on August 17, 1999. Publication dates: Sept. 3, 10, 17, 24, 1999. (PC903).

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. F991532. The following persons are doing business as **SM ARTWEAR; ARTWEAR**, 2 SW 5th on Dolores, Carmel CA 93921; P.O. Box 2356, Carmel, CA 93921. RHONDA RENEE SHERRER, 3200 Crescent Ave., Marina, CA 93521. This business is conducted by an individual. (s) Rhonda Renee Sherrer. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on August 6, 1999. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on August 6, 1999. Publication dates: Sept. 3, 10, 17, 24, 1999. (PC904).

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE
of GERALD DEAN BUCHHOLZ
Case Number MP 14618

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of GERALD DEAN BUCHHOLZ, also known as GERALD D. BUCHHOLZ, GERALD BUCHHOLZ, and G.D. BUCHHOLZ.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by RONALD E. BUCHHOLZ in the Superior Court of California, County of MONTEREY.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that RONALD E. BUCHHOLZ be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held on September 24, 1999 at 9:00 a.m., Dept.: 14, in the Superior Court of California, County of Monterey, 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within four months from the date of first issuance of letters as provided in Probate Code section 9100. The time for filing claims will not expire before four months from the hearing date noticed above.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a *Request for Special Notice* (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A *Request for Special Notice* form is available from the court clerk.

Attorney for petitioner MARSDEN S. BLOIS, 333 West Santa Clara Street, #612, San Jose, CA 95113. (408) 286-9700. (s) MARSDEN D. BLOIS, Attorney for Petitioner.

Publication dates: Sept. 3, 10, 17, 1999. (PC907)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. F991667. The following persons are doing business as **YONKA SIGNATURE DAY SPA**, 118 Crossroads Blvd., Carmel CA 93923. CHANTAL TOURTIN, 118 Crossroads Blvd., Carmel, CA 93923. This business is conducted by an individual. (s) Chantal Tourtin. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above in October 1993. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on August 26, 1999. Publication dates: Sept.10, 17, 24, Oct.1, 1999. (PC909).

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. F991708. The following persons are doing business as **RUSTICA**, 10 Delfino Place, Carmel Valley, CA 93924. SYLVIA MEDINA, 856 Parcel St. #3, Monterey, CA 93940. PAULO H.M. KAUTZ, 856 Parcel St. #3, Monterey, CA 93940. This business is conducted by a general partnership. (s) Sylvia Medina. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on November 1, 1999. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on September 1, 1999. Publication dates: Sept.10, 17, 24, Oct.1, 1999. (PC910).

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY
In the Matter of the Application of SUSAN KANDT TABOR, petitioner, for Change of Name
Case No. M45668

WHEREAS, Susan Kandt Tabor, petitioner, has filed a petition with the clerk of this court for a decree changing petitioner's name from Susan Kandt Tabor to Susan Tarkin.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above matter appear in Department __ of this court, located at 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940, on Fri., October 8, 1999, at 9:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, and show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this order to show cause be published in The Carmel Pine Cone, a newspaper of general circulation printed in Monterey, County, California, once a week for four consecutive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition.

Date: Sept. 2, 1999.
Publication dates: Sept. 10, 17, 24, Oct. 1, 1999. (PC 912)

SUPERIOR COURT

POLICE LOG

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sleeping in Larson Field. He woke up and was given his last warning and advised next time he would be arrested for trespassing.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Person reported that as she was walking in the crosswalk at San Carlos and Sixth a vehicle "California Rolled" the stop sign and turned right onto Sixth. She feared the vehicle may hit someone. Attempt to contact owner made.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Picked up dead raccoon.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Man said he had parked his car in the upper parking lot of the Bayview Inn. This morning he was advised that his car was in the lower lot, blocking a driveway. He could not explain how the vehicle ended up at its present location. All of his property was intact, the doors were locked and he had the only key to the vehicle.

Pebble Beach: Pebble Beach Security reported the theft of a sign from the Spyglass Hill Golf Academy building. Two vehicles seen in the area. Case under investigation. Sign valued at $2,000.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of people sleeping in a motor home on Lincoln. Unfounded.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Vehicle reported to be abandoned on Ninth was found to be stolen. The vehicle was intact with no damage. Towed and stored by Carmel Chevron.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Person renting a room at a San Carlos residence was in conflict with the owner of the house regarding access to the garage, where some of her belongings are kept. It turns out the renter can access the garage from her bedroom. Both parties admonished and advised to contact an attorney regarding their civil problems.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Suspected a driver was DUI. It turned out she drove to the station to ask questions. After her questions were answered, she volunteered for a field sobriety test. No violation.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Water leak at the Carmel Foundation. There is a broken line inside the courtyard area. A maintenance worker reported to be en route.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of mariachi music in the area of Carpenter between Second and Third. Area checked, unable to locate.

Carmel area: Baldwin Place resident reported a juvenile party at a neighboring residence. On juvenile was cited for possession of cigarettes, alcohol and marijuana. An adult was arrested for possession of psilocybin [mushrooms] and marijuana.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report that a gray Cadillac driving recklessly on the highway was at the Shell station. Gone upon arrival.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Twenty vehicles moved for illegal parking on Scenic. The drivers were watching the lightning.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a man yelling for help near Casanova. Upon arrival the only people found were in a wedding party, but none stated they were asking for help. They were loud but no problems were found.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Vehicle stopped on Torres for registration tabs expired since 1982. It was found that the vehicle was current, but the driver was unlicensed. Vehicle towed and stored by Carmel Chevron. Driver cited.

Carmel Valley: Country Club Heights resident reported having his mail taken from his mail box.

Carmel area: Resident called to report losing her purse while shopping in the Barnyard.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Man arrested on a warrant for offering false documents.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of loud talking on Casanova. Several persons outside a house. They went inside upon request.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Dolores resident reported a black limousine was stalking her at the Mission Ranch. She believes this is the result of a long history of harassment by a San Jose woman. She was advised that this incident was outside of the city limits and to contact the sheriff's department. She advised that the sheriffs are controlled by this woman. An area check was made for the limousine with negative results.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of garbage left in the public right-of-way. Incident handled by the building official. He was notified of the second complaint and sent a letter to the violator.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Woman contacted regarding a necklace reported missing 9/8/99. She said she cleaned the room in questions (Room #16) and found the two pieces of jewelry, but not the gold necklace, and turned them in to the lost and found.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Missing person found on Carmel Valley Road by a passerby. She drove him to a local shop and then called the PD. Monterey County Sheriff's Department arrived and transported the person back home.

Carmel area: Mission Ranch manager called to report a person refusing to leave. She eventually left on her own accord.

Pebble Beach: Alarm company reported finding personal property in the roadway at Padre Lane and Portola. The property came from a burglary at a Padre Lane residence.

Carmel area: Mesa Place resident reported her estranged husband was in violation of a court order by coming over to her residence.

Carmel Valley: Miramonte resident reported her 78-year-husband, who has Alzheimer's, walked away from her house. He was found in the city of Carmel and taken home.

Carmel area: Woman called to report losing her ring behind the Wells Fargo Bank in the Crossroads on 9/1/99. The ring is described as a 14-karat gold band with a center ruby

See **POLICE LOG** *page 11B*

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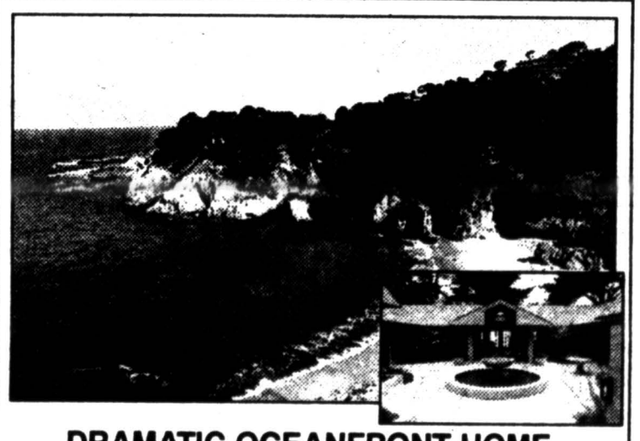

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. F991743. The following persons are doing business as **CARMEL APPRAISAL SERVICE,** NW Cor. Mission St. and 8th Ave., P.O. Box 7313, Carmel, CA 93921. HUBERT KEITH BARTRON, 3 NE 2nd Ave. on Lobos St., Carmel, CA 93921. REED BARTRON, 919 California St., Salinas, CA 93901. This business is conducted by a general partnership. (s) Hubert K. Bartron, Partner. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Jan. 1, 1990. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on September 8, 1999. Publication dates: Sept.17, 24, Oct. 1, 8, 1999. (PC913)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. F991714. The following persons are doing business as **WILSON PROPERTIES, LP,** 360 B Shasta Avenue, Sand City, CA 93955. GEORGE & YVONNE WILSON PROPERTIES, LP, 10904 and 10906 Highway 36, Mapleton, Oregon 97453. This business is conducted by a limited partnership. (s) Gregory J. Wilson, Vice President, Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on July 1, 1999. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on September 2, 1999. Publication dates: Sept.10, 17, 24, Oct.1, 1999. (PC914)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING
FINAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 1999/2000
CYPRESS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

NOTICE HEREBY GIVEN, that on Thursday September 23, 1999 the Cypress Fire Protection District Board of Directors will consider adoption of the Final Budget for Fiscal Year 1999/2000 that ends June 30, 2000.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that the Preliminary Budget has been adopted and is available for inspection at the District's fire station located at 3775 Rio Road, Carmel, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The Board of Directors will meet at 2:30 p.m. on Thursday September 23, 1999 at the District's fire station to adopt the Final Budget for Fiscal Year 1999/2000 that ends on June 30, 2000.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that any taxpayer may appear and be heard regarding the increase, decrease, or omission of any item of the budget or for the inclusion of any additional items.
Dated: Sept. 7, 1999
(s) Gayle Sheppard, Secretary of the Board
Publication dates: Sept. 17, 24, 1999. (PC916)

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE
of JUDITH ARRON,
aka JUDITH H. ARRON
Case Number MP 14625

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of JUDITH ARRON, also known as JUDITH H. ARRON.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by RONALD D. ARRON in the Superior Court of California, County of MONTEREY.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that RONALD D. ARRON be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

THE PETITION requests authority ro administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held on October 29, 1999 at 9:00 a.m., Dept.: 14, in the Superior Court of California, County of Monterey, 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within four months from the date of first issuance of letters as provided in Probate Code section 9100. The time for filing claims will not expire before four months from the hearing date noticed above.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a *Request for Special Notice* (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A *Request for Special Notice* form is available from the court clerk.

Attorney for petitioner J. WILMAR JENSEN, JENSEN & JENSEN, 1514 H Street, Modesto, CA 95354. (209) 529-0791. (s) J. Wilmar Jensen, Attorney for Petitioner.

Publication dates: Sept. 17, 24, Oct. 1, 1999. (PC917)

SUPERIOR COURT
OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF MONTEREY
In the Matter of the Application of
LINDA GALE FERRARI, petitioner,
for Change of Name,
Case No. M45739.

WHEREAS, Linda Gale Ferrari, petitioner, has filed a petition with the clerk of this court for a decree changing petitioner's name from Linda Gale Ferrari to Linda Gale Felter Ferrari;

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above matter appear in Department __ of this court, located at 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940, on October 15, 1999, at 9:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, and show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this order to show cause be published in The Carmel Pine Cone, a newspaper of general circulation printed in Monterey County, California, once a week for four consecutive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition.

Date: Sept. 6, 1999.
(s) Richard M. Silver, Judge of the Superior Court.
Publication dates: Sept. 17, 24, Oct. 1, 8, 1999. (PC918)

SUPERIOR COURT
OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF MONTEREY
In the Matter of the Application of
EVELYN SALIVA STAGGS, petitioner,
for Change of Name,
Case No. M45778.

WHEREAS, Evelyn Saliva Staggs, petitioner, has filed a petition with the clerk of this court for a decree changing petitioner's name from Evelyn Saliva Staggs to Lynn Saliva Staggs;

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above matter appear in Department TBA of this court, located at 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940, on October 15, 1999, at 9:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, and show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this order to show cause be published in The Carmel Pine Cone, a newspaper of general circulation printed in Monterey County, California, once a week for four consecutive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition.

Date: Sept. 9, 1999.
(s) Albert H. Maldonado, Judge of the Superior Court.
Publication dates: Sept. 17, 24, Oct. 1, 8, 1999. (PC919)

PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that the Planning Commission of the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea will conduct a public hearing in the City Hall Council Chambers, located on the east side of Monte Verde Street between Ocean and Seventh Avenues, on Wednesday, September 29, 1999. The public hearing will be opened at 4:00 P.M. or as soon thereafter as possible.

IF YOU CHALLENGE THE NATURE OF THE PROPOSED ACTION IN COURT, YOU MAY BE LIMITED TO RAISING ONLY THOSE ISSUES YOU OR SOMEONE ELSE RAISED AT THE PUBLIC HEARING DESCRIBED IN THIS NOTICE, OR IN WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE DELIVERED TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION OR THE CITY COUNCIL, AT, OR PRIOR TO THE PUBLIC HEARING.

1. Consideration of Commercial Design Guidelines for the Central Commercial and Service Commercial Districts and consideration of amendments to the Municipal Code related to design standards in all Commercial Districts.

Planning Commission
City of Carmel-by-the-Sea
(s) Karen Worthington
Planning Commission Secretary
Publication dates: Sept. 17, 1999 (PC920)

T.S. No. 99-11423 Loan No. 059081-0 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 11/18/1996. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to a Deed of Trust described below. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Trustor: MARY LOU FERNANDEZ, A MARRIED WOMAN AS HER SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY Duly Appointed Trustee: BUCKLEY & ASSOCIATES, INC. Recorded 11/26/1996 as Instrument No. 70996 in book 3449, page 243 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Monterey County, California, Date of Sale: 9/24/1999 at 1:30 PM Place of Sale: AT THE MAIN ENTRANCE TO THE MONTEREY COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 240 CHURCH STREET, SALINAS, CA Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: $38,730.21 Street Address or other common designation of real property: 3117 LYN-SCOTT DRIVE MARINA, CA 93933 A.P.N.: 032-241-009 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown above. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. Date: August 30, 1999 BUCKLEY & ASSOCIATES, INC. 26522 La Alameda, Suite #200 Mission Viejo, California 92691 949-348-8826 ARLENE C. BOWDITCH, ASST. VICE PRESIDENT QPP 37659 9/3, 9/10, 9/17/99

Publication dates: Sept. 3, 10, 17, 1999 (PC908)

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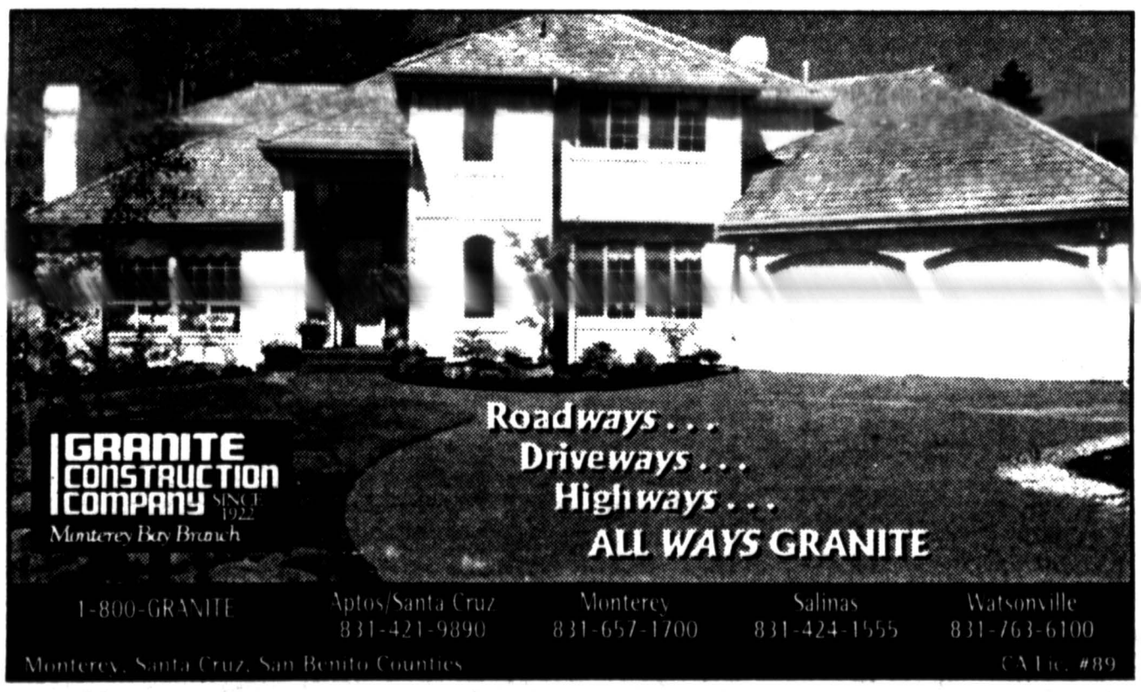

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POLICE LOG

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setting. The ruby has three small diamonds on each side. Valued at approximately $1,500.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of people yelling at the Lone Oaks Apartments. Located occupants talking loudly while vacuuming. Advised of complaint and turned off the vacuum.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Vehicle at Santa Fe and Ocean found to have registration expired over six months. Towed and stored by Carmel Chevron.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: People consuming alcoholic beverages at 0200 hours at a San Carlos bar. Assisted with convincing them to stop drinking and warned the bartender to watch the time more carefully.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a dog barking and a woman screaming. Casanova area checked, several raccoons found but no dogs or women in distress. Probably dog vs. raccoon broken up by female dog owner.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Assisted CFD with a medical emergency. Monte Verde resident was unconscious due to alcohol overdose.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Assisted two elderly females with locating their vehicle.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Arrived at a local restaurant to find a man not breathing. Performed rescue breathing while another officer did chest compressions.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a person possibly feeding cats in the business district. The cats are feral. Unable to locate the person, but empty cardboard trays were found with the remnants of cat food. Close patrol requested.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a dog in distress inside a vehicle. Owner arrived and removed dog.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of possible fraud involving an in-home consultation on a hearing aid from a company out of Gilroy. Hearing aid was faulty, and the resident discovered the representative had sold her the wrong type of hearing aid. Seeking reimbursement.

Carmel area: A parole search was conducted at a Stewart Place residence. He was found to be in possession of a controlled substance. He was arrested and transported to the county jail.

Carmel Valley: Bank investigator reported embezzlement over a two-year period. An employee admitted to the theft. Case continues.

Carmel area: Carmel High School teacher reported that she laid her purse on a retaining wall, and when she returned she found about $100 in cash taken from it. Incident took place around lunch time.

Carmel Valley: A Monterey doctor's office requested a welfare check on a Rippling River resident who was found to be okay, just upset about not getting a certain medication prescription as desired.

Carmel area: Via Mar Monte resident reported a woman was not taking her medication and had become verbally abusive.

Carmel area: Welfare check requested for a Spruce Way resident, because he was elderly and had not been seen for the past two days. It was discovered that he had gone to the hospital for surgery and was doing fine.

Pebble Beach: Sloat Road resident reported that a neighbor yelled outside her house, complaining that her neighbor was killing raccoons. She was asked not to yell at her neighbors and she agreed.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Dolores resident called 911 and wanted help because something was in her eye. She was irate with Joe's Taxi because they wouldn't help her. She refused an ambulance and was upset with dispatch inquiring about what she needed. She was given a courtesy transport to CHOMP. This was a non-emergency call.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: La Playa gardener observed a small, black kitten with runny eyes and nose howling under a dumpster. She attempted to retrieve the cat but it ran under a parked vehicle. She later attempted to catch it again, and when she picked it up, it bit her on the right index finger and escaped. She eventually caught the cat and put it in a box. While doing this, the cat bit her on the left index finger. Cat brought to the station. Animal Control responded. No first aid needed.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Dolores resident reported his dog ran off and returned with wounds to all four paws. He believed the injuries came from a trap for raccoons. Area searched, unable to locate any traps. Injuries possibly sustained from barbed wire in the small canyon across from the house.

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CREATIVE CONCEPTS! Call it "lot value" or "major remodel" to the existing duplex on a 4000 sq. ft. lot. The good news is there are "3 bathrooms." In Carmel the land prices have soared. This is a good value, so don't hesitate to make an offer. It's new on the "HOT" market. $450,000.

JUST LISTED The perfect weekender sits on a coveted double lot, in preferred south-of-Ocean Avenue neighborhood. Features include a living room with fireplace, family room, 2 bedrooms and 2 baths. Located within an easy walk to town and the beach. Remodel or build your own dream home. $659,000.

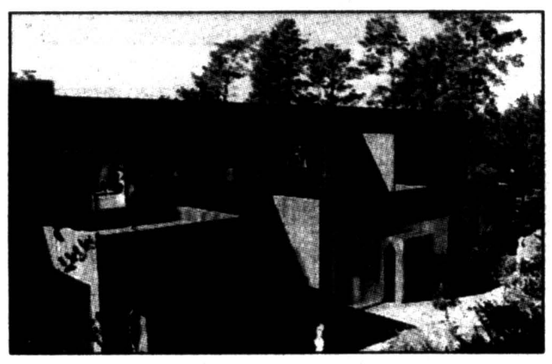
GREAT LOCATION & VALUE! Lots of space in this two-story home in a quiet, forested, out-of-the-way setting, just a pleasant walk to town. This low-maintenance, townhouse style home even has a two-car garage – hard to find in Carmel. The 3-bedroom, 3-bath floor plan offers great versatility. $599,000.

CARMEL POINT! Spacious home with Monastery Beach views and within walking distance to Stewart's Cove. Main level has a spacious sea-view living room, formal dining room, kitchen with breakfast nook, 2 bedrooms, 2 baths and laundry room. Lower level has a grand family room with separate entrance and an adjoining bonus room/office. A little updating will make this property once again magnificent. $995,000.

FRESH AS A DAISY! This lovingly remodeled home features 3 bedrooms, 2 baths and an all-new kitchen with generous dining area. The living room is graced with a vaulted ceiling, Carmel-stone fireplace and gleaming hardwood floors. The fenced and private rear garden boasts a large new deck with built-in benches, lovely Carmelstone BBQ and new landscaping. All this within an easy distance to town. $629,000.

NEW ON MARKET An excellent original Comstock home built by Melvyn Douglas. The privately located residence takes advantage of views of the Fish Ranch and the Mission. All rooms, including the family room, are spacious, open and bright. Four bedrooms & 3 baths. There are two patios, one with outdoor barbecue area protected for terrace entertaining. Two-car garage plus large storage room. $1,695,000.

CARMEL HIGHLANDS



GORGEOUS SEA SCENES! You need to experience this contemporary home to really appreciate its beauty, attention to detail and breathtaking ocean views. If you really appreciate the modern and dramatic sense of fine contemporary architecture, this is a prime example of art enhanced by the environment. An outstanding opportunity to buy a 3-bedroom, 4-1/2-bath home below its replacement cost. $2,275,000.

MONTEREY

OCEAN VISTAS! Beautiful bay views from this three-story home in a quiet neighborhood. There is a kitchen/family room with fireplace and vaulted ceiling. The spacious master suite features a fireplace and bay view. Enjoy the beauty of the outdoors in the multi-purpose sunroom. The ground floor suite with bath & outside entry enhances flexibility of the floor plan. Four bedrooms & 3-1/2 baths. $599,000.

SOLITUDE IN TOWN! Set amongst mature oaks, discover this 3-bedroom, 2-1/2-bath home on a nearly 10,000 sq. ft. lot at the end of a cul-de-sac. Spacious living room with hardwood floors & brick fireplace. Light & airy family room with French doors to large deck & patio. Double-pane windows throughout, & new Prego kitchen floor. Walk to town, schools and library from one of Monterey's best locations. $610,000.

OUTSTANDING BAY VIEWS! Fabulous 4-bedroom, 3-bath, Victorian-style home has been completely remodeled and updated. Luxurious master suite with gorgeous bay views! Spacious family room with window seat & fireplace. A flexible floor plan, bay views, ample two-car garage and convenient location enhance this residence on its street-to-street lot. $749,000.

HISTORIC CASA BORONDA! If only these adobe walls could talk! Built in 1817-22 by Don Manuel Boronda, it is one of the first adobe homes located outside the Presidio walls. This piece of history has been well maintained and sits on about a 4-acre mesa in the heart of Monterey. In addition to the main house, there are two outbuildings, each with a full bath. A rare & unique opportunity. $1,000,000.

CARMEL VALLEY

VALLEY VIEW! A cozy home perched above the Valley in Robles del Rio. Entered through a sunny brick patio and lovely garden, this 2-bedroom home captures fabulous valley and mountain views from every room. Street to alley lot. Fireplace, hardwood floors, picture windows and more $335,000.

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GOLF COURSE VIEWS! Comfortable, large home in the Country Club overlooking the second hole of the Dunes Course. The family/dining room area features a wet bar and fireplace. The second car space has been converted into a large storage area. On a 9000 sq.ft. lot, this 4-bedroom, 3-bath home is a great opportunity to live among beautiful surroundings. $690,000.

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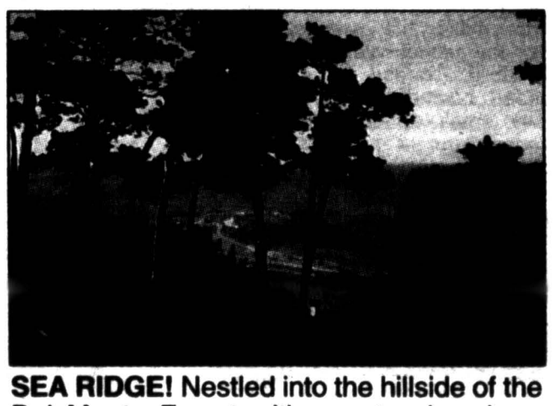

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